



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County  
Board of Supervisors**

## Adobe Acrobat Reader 5.0

### Finding Words

You can use the Find command to find a complete word or part of a word in the current PDF document. Acrobat Reader looks for the word by reading every word on every page in the file, including text in form fields.

#### To find a word using the Find command:

1. Click the Find button (**Binoculars**), or choose Edit > Find.
2. Enter the text to find in the text box.
3. Select search options if necessary:
  - Match Whole Word Only finds only occurrences of the complete word you enter in the box. For example, if you search for the word *stick*, the words *tick* and *sticky* will not be highlighted.
  - Match Case finds only words that contain exactly the same capitalization you enter in the box.
  - Find Backwards starts the search from the current page and goes backwards through the document.
4. Click Find. Acrobat Reader finds the next occurrence of the word.

#### To find the next occurrence of the word:

Do one of the following:

Choose Edit > Find Again

Reopen the find dialog box, and click Find Again. (The word must already be in the Find text box.)

### Copying and pasting text and graphics to another application

You can select text or a graphic in a PDF document, copy it to the Clipboard, and paste it into another application such as a word processor. You can also paste text into a PDF document note or into a bookmark. Once the selected text or graphic is on the Clipboard, you can switch to another application and paste it into another document.

**Note:** *If a font copied from a PDF document is not available on the system displaying the copied text, the font cannot be preserved. A default font is substituted.*



**To select and copy it to the clipboard:**

1. Select the text tool T, and do one of the following:

To select a line of text, select the first letter of the sentence or phrase and drag to the last letter.

To select multiple columns of text (horizontally), hold down Ctrl+Alt (Windows) or Option (Mac OS) as you drag across the width of the document.

To select a column of text (vertically), Hold down Ctrl+Alt (Windows) or Option+Command (Mac OS) as you drag the length of the document.

To select all the text on the page, choose Edit > Select All. In single page mode, all the text on the current page is selected. In Continuous or Continuous – facing mode, most of the text in the document is selected. When you release the mouse button, the selected text is highlighted. To deselect the text and start over, click anywhere outside the selected text. The Select All command will not select all the text in the document. A workaround for this (Windows) is to use the Edit > Copy command.

2. Choose Edit > Copy to copy the selected text to the clipboard.

3. To view the text, choose Window > Show Clipboard

In Windows 95, the Clipboard Viewer is not installed by default and you cannot use the Show Clipboard command until it is installed. To install the Clipboard Viewer, Choose Start > Settings > Control Panel > Add/Remove Programs, and then click the Windows Setup tab. Double-click Accessories, check Clipboard Viewer, and click OK.



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1                   **[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**  
2                   **ON APRIL 11, 2006, BEGINS ON PAGE 107.]**

3  
4  
5  
6   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ...WILL BEGIN. FIRST, WE'RE GOING TO  
7 BE LED IN PRAYER WITH PASTOR S.T. WILLIAMS, JR. OF ST. PAUL'S  
8 EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, MISSOURI SYNOD, WHO WILL BE  
9 GIVING US OUR PRAYER AND OUR PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WILL BE BY  
10 OUR COLONEL JOSEPH SMITH, WHOM WE'RE VERY PLEASED TO HAVE HIM  
11 BACK, RECOVERING FROM HIS RECENT ILLNESS AND LOOKING WELL AND  
12 LIKE HE'S THE FORMER MARINE COLONEL HE WAS ON ACTIVE DUTY AND  
13 WE WILL NOW LEAD WITH PRAYER. SO, PASTOR.

14  
15   **PASTOR S.T. WILLIAMS, JR.:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.  
16 THERE ARE HUNDREDS OF CONCERNS AND ISSUES IMPACTING THE  
17 COUNTY, THE NATION AND, OBVIOUSLY, OUR WORLD TODAY. YOU JUST  
18 HAVE TO PICK UP A NEWSPAPER OR LOOK AT THE TELEVISION. I JUST  
19 WANT TO SHARE THESE WORDS WITH YOU THIS MORNING FROM SOMEONE  
20 WHO HAS BEEN IN YOUR SHOES BUT LIVED IN 2 B.C., KING DAVID.  
21 BLESSED IS THE MAN WHO DOES NOT WALK IN THE COUNSEL OF THE  
22 WICKED OR STAND IN THE WAY OF SINNERS OR SIT IN THE SEAT OF  
23 MOCKERS BUT HIS DELIGHT IS IN THE LAW OF GOD AND IN HIS LAW HE  
24 MEDITATES DAY AND NIGHT. I JUST WANT TO ENCOURAGE YOU TODAY AS  
25 YOU MEET THAT THE REALITY IS YOU CANNOT MAKE EVERYONE HAPPY



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 AND SATISFY ALL THE NEEDS OF THE VARIOUS GROUPS AND  
2 INSTITUTIONS IN THIS COUNTY BUT YOU CAN TAKE EACH OF THESE  
3 ISSUES AND CONCERNS TO HEART AND USE YOUR PROFESSIONAL SKILLS  
4 AND TRAINING AND CALL UPON A HIGHER POWER AND SOURCE FOR  
5 STRENGTH AND RENDER THE BEST SOLUTIONS TO THEM ALL. WE PRAY.  
6 GOD, LEAD THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TODAY TO MEDITATE UPON  
7 YOUR LAW AND THE LAW OF THIS LAND AND IN THIS COUNTY AND TO  
8 HELP THEM TO FULLY UNDERSTAND HOW TO USE ALL THAT YOU HAVE  
9 GIVEN TO THEM AND THEIR PROFESSIONAL SKILLS AND TRAINING TO  
10 MAKE THIS THE BEST COUNTY IN THE LAND. AMEN.

11

12 **COL. JOSEPH N. SMITH:** PLEASE PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR  
13 HEART AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO OUR FLAG. [  
14 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE ]

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WOULD WE PLEASE REMAIN STANDING FOR A  
17 MOMENT OF SILENCE TO RECOGNIZE THE WONDERFUL DEDICATION PAUL  
18 HIGA, OUR PROBATION DIRECTOR, HAD GIVEN THE COUNTY AND TO THE  
19 ENTIRE WORKFORCE OF OUR COUNTY, THE YOUNG MEN THAT HE-- AND  
20 WOMEN THAT HE WAS OVERSEEING, WHO PASSED AWAY THIS PAST WEEK.  
21 SO WE'LL PAUSE FOR A MOMENT OF SILENCE.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR BURKE.

24





**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1   **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, WE'RE VERY PLEASED TO HAVE PASTOR WILLIAMS  
2   WITH US TODAY AND HE'S ONLY BEEN IN LOS ANGELES A VERY FEW  
3   MONTHS, 30 DAYS. YES. HE'S A 1986 GRADUATE OF TAYLOR  
4   UNIVERSITY WITH A BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE IN SOCIOLOGY AND  
5   RELIGION. HE WAS COMMISSIONED TO THE U.S. NAVY RESERVE  
6   CHAPLAIN'S PROGRAM IN 1989. HE WAS PROMOTED TO LIEUTENANT IN  
7   1991 AND, IN 1999, HE WAS PROMOTED TO LIEUTENANT COMMANDER AND  
8   CONTINUES TO SERVE AS A RESERVE MILITARY CHAPLAIN. PASTOR  
9   WILLIAMS GRADUATED FROM CONCORDIA THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY IN  
10   1993. ON MARCH 2006, HE BECAME THE SENIOR PASTOR OF THE ST.  
11   PAUL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH AND PASTOR WILLIAMS IS  
12   MARRIED. HE ENJOYS FISHING, TRAVEL, CAMPING, SAILING, COOKING  
13   AND PAINTING. AND WE CERTAINLY APPRECIATE YOUR BEING HERE AND  
14   WELCOME TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, IN MORE THAN ONE WAY.

15

16   **PASTOR S.T. WILLIAMS, JR.:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [ APPLAUSE ]

17

18   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE'LL BEGIN THE AGENDA.

19

20   **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND THE  
21   BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, WE HAVE A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE  
22   PUBLIC TO HOLD ALL ITEMS ON THE AGENDA. I WOULD LIKE TO READ,  
23   HOWEVER, SOME REQUESTS FROM THE BOARD MEMBERS. ON ITEM 5,  
24   SUPERVISOR KNABE IS REQUESTING THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK  
25   TO HIS OFFICE.



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1

2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY KNABE. SECONDED. WITHOUT  
3 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

4

5 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** UNDER HEALTH SERVICES, WE HAVE A REQUEST  
6 FROM SUPERVISOR KNABE TO HOLD ITEM 14.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHICH NUMBER?

9

10 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** 14.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** 14.

13

14 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** AND ALSO UNDER PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, A  
15 REQUEST FROM SUPERVISOR KNABE TO HOLD ITEM 24. AND, UNDER ITEM  
16 45, WE HAVE A REQUEST FROM SUPERVISOR KNABE TO HOLD THIS ITEM.  
17 ON ITEM 46, THE PUBLIC HEARINGS, WE HAVE A REQUEST FROM THE  
18 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS TO CONTINUE THIS ITEM TO MAY 23RD,  
19 2006.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY BURKE. SECONDED.  
22 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

23

24 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** AND, AS NOTED ON THE GREEN SUPPLEMENTAL  
25 AGENDA, WE WILL HAVE A SET ITEM ON APRIL 18, 2006, AT 11:00



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 A.M. FOR A REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE CHIEF  
2 ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE AND COUNTY COUNSEL ON THE ISSUANCE OF  
3 BADGES. AND, AGAIN, THEN, ALL OTHER ITEMS WILL BE HELD AT THIS  
4 TIME.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY.

7

8 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE  
9 AGENDA AT THIS TIME. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN  
10 WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NUMBER FIVE.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME FIRST WELCOME OUR NEW CONSUL-  
13 GENERAL FROM ROMANIA, CONSUL-GENERAL CATALIN GHENEA WHO HAS  
14 JUST BEEN POSTED IN OUR COUNTY. THE CONSUL-GENERAL HOLDS A  
15 MASTER'S DEGREE IN ARCHITECTURE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF  
16 BUDAPEST. HE'S CURRENTLY PURSUING A MASTER'S DEGREE IN PUBLIC  
17 ADMINISTRATION. BETWEEN 1999 AND 2002, HE SERVED AS A  
18 DIPLOMATIC COUNSELOR IN THE ROMANIAN MINISTRY OF FOREIGN  
19 AFFAIRS, NORTH AMERICA DIVISION, AFTER HEADING THE ISRAELI  
20 OFFICE AND THE DIVISION FOR MIDDLE EAST AND AFRICA. FOR TWO  
21 YEARS, HE WAS EMPLOYED AS PROGRAM ADVISOR INTERNATIONAL  
22 OFFICER WITH THE COUNSEL OF EUROPE IN FRANCE. BEFORE JOINING  
23 THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS IN 1996, HE WAS THE DIRECTOR  
24 OF THE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS FOR YOUTH IN THE MINISTRY OF  
25 YOUTH AND SPORT. HE'S FLUENT IN ENGLISH, FRENCH, GERMAN AND





**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 PORTUGUESE AND, CONSUL-GENERAL, WE'RE PLEASED TO WELCOME YOU  
2 AND LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU AND HELPING YOU IN YOUR  
3 RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES REPRESENTING YOUR PEOPLE OF  
4 ROMANIA. [ APPLAUSE ]

5

6 **THE HONORABLE CATALIN GHENEA:** HONORABLE MAYOR ANTONOVICH,  
7 HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, I AM VERY  
8 HONORED TO BE HERE AND THESE MOMENTS ARE, FOR ME, MORE JOYOUS,  
9 ESPECIALLY THAT I KNOW A LOT OF PEOPLE HERE BECAUSE I HAVE  
10 BEEN ALREADY FOR ALMOST FOUR YEARS IN THE COUNTY OF LOS  
11 ANGELES AND I AM VERY GLAD TO BE IN THIS POSITION IN WHICH I  
12 CAN CONTINUE THE VERY GOOD COOPERATION I HAD WITH THE COUNTY  
13 AND WITH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [  
14 APPLAUSE ]

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THIS MORNING, WE'RE GOING TO WELCOME  
17 TWO OUTSTANDING YOUNG PEOPLE WHO WERE HONORED AS DISTINGUISHED  
18 FINALISTS IN THE ELEVENTH ANNUAL PRUDENTIAL SPIRIT OF  
19 COMMUNITY AWARDS. THIS IS AMERICA'S LARGEST YOUTH RECOGNITION  
20 PROGRAM BASED EXCLUSIVELY ON VOLUNTEERISM. IT WAS CREATED IN  
21 1995 BY PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL. THE AWARDS ARE DESIGNED TO  
22 EMPHASIZE THE IMPORTANCE OUR NATION PLACES ON SERVICE TO  
23 OTHERS AND TO ENCOURAGE YOUNG AMERICANS OF ALL BACKGROUNDS TO  
24 CONTRIBUTE TO THEIR COMMUNITIES. NICOLE LANZ, WHO IS 17 YEARS  
25 OLD, IS A SENIOR AT VALENCIA HIGH SCHOOL IN THE SANTA CLARITA



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 VALLEY. SHE STARTED AN ORGANIZATION THAT PROVIDED BACKPACKS  
2 FILLED WITH SCHOOL SUPPLIES TO MORE THAN 600 CHILDREN IN THIRD  
3 WORLD COUNTRIES. SHE SOLICITED DONATIONS, SHE RECRUITED  
4 VOLUNTEERS, SHE SORTS AND SHE PACKAGES THOSE COLLECTIONS AND  
5 THEN SHIPS THEM TO ORGANIZATIONS SERVING CHILDREN IN THIRD  
6 WORLD COUNTRIES. SO WE WANT TO THANK NICOLE FOR HER  
7 LEADERSHIP, BEING A POSITIVE ROLE MODEL TO OUR FRIENDS AND  
8 NEIGHBORS IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY, IN OUR COUNTY, STATE,  
9 AND NATION AND RECOGNIZE HER WITH THIS COMMENDATION FROM THE  
10 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ON BEHALF OF THE 10 MILLION PEOPLE THAT  
11 WE REPRESENT. GOOD JOB. [ APPLAUSE ]

12

13 **NICOLE LANZ:** HI. MY NAME IS NICOLE LANZ. AND THIS IS MY MOM,  
14 SANDY LANZ AND MY COUSIN, PHILIPPE FAROUCHE. I JUST WANT TO  
15 THANK EVERYONE WHO GAVE ME THIS AWARD AND ON BEHALF OF  
16 BACKPACKS FOR KIDS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR SUPPORTING ME. [  
17 APPLAUSE ]

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND LET ME RECOGNIZE SUPERVISOR  
20 YAROSLAVSKY, WHO IS GOING TO MAKE A SIMILAR PRESENTATION.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. I WAS GETTING THE CORRECT  
23 PRONUNCIATION. SHIVAM SHODHAN. SHIVAM IS 17 FROM CANOGA PARK,  
24 A SENIOR AT FAITH BAPTIST HIGH SCHOOL, COLLECTS AND  
25 DISTRIBUTES USED EYEGLASSES TO VISUALLY IMPAIRED PEOPLE LIVING



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 IN IMPOVERISHED DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. SHIVAM PUBLISHES HIS  
2 PROGRAM THROUGH FLIERS, POSTERS AND MEETINGS WITH LOCAL  
3 GROUPS, CONDUCTS COMMUNITY-WIDE COLLECTION DRIVES AND DELIVERS  
4 ALL DONATIONS, MORE THAN 4,000 PAIRS OF GLASSES SO FAR, TO THE  
5 LIONS CLUB INTERNATIONAL-- LIONS CLUB INTERNATIONAL'S "LIONS  
6 RECYCLE FOR SIGHT" AND THE LENS CRAFTERS FOUNDATION "GIVE THE  
7 GIFT OF SIGHT" PROGRAM. SO WE WANTED TO PRESENT THIS  
8 PROCLAMATION TO YOU AS A DISTINGUISHED FINALIST IN THE 11TH  
9 ANNUAL PRUDENTIAL SPIRIT OF COMMUNITY AWARDS. [ APPLAUSE ]

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND I THINK THESE ARE SHIVAM'S  
12 PARENTS, DR. KARAM SHARHAM AND HIS MOTHER, MRS. BOBNA SHODHAN.  
13 WELCOME. [ APPLAUSE ]

14

15 **SHIVAM SHODHAN:** HELLO. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I WOULD LIKE TO  
16 SAY THANK TO ALL THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR INVITING ME TO  
17 THIS AWARDS CEREMONY. I WANT TO THANK THE LIONS CLUB  
18 INTERNATIONAL FOR GIVING ME THE WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY TO  
19 LAUNCH AND ESTABLISH THIS PROGRAM IN MY COMMUNITY, THIS  
20 COMMUNITY SERVICE OUTREACH PROGRAM CALLED "GIVE THE GIFT OF  
21 SIGHT". I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THINK MY COMMUNITY FOR GENEROUSLY  
22 DONATING ALL THESE GLASSES TO ME. I'VE SUCCESSFULLY COLLECTED  
23 OVER 4,000 PAIRS OF EYEGASSES SO FAR. ALSO, I'D LIKE TO THANK  
24 MY PARENTS AND MY SISTER FOR ALL THE HARD WORK AND SUPPORT  
25 THEY'VE GIVEN TO ME IN ALL MY ENDEAVORS. YOU KNOW, WITH THEIR



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1    HELP, I HAVE ACCOMPLISHED SO MUCH IN LIFE. YOU KNOW, "GIVE THE  
2    GIFT OF SIGHT" HAS BEEN TRULY REWARDING EXPERIENCE FOR ME. IT  
3    HAS ALLOWED ME TO MAKE A POSITIVE AND, MORE IMPORTANTLY, A  
4    TANGIBLE CHANGE IN THE LIVES OF THESE PEOPLE. AND, YOU KNOW,  
5    TO US, IT'S SIMPLY A PAIR OF GLASSES BUT, TO THESE PEOPLE IN  
6    NEED, IT'S A PAIR OF EYES, BECAUSE GOD'S MOST PRECIOUS GIFT TO  
7    MAN IS THE GIFT OF SIGHT. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

8

9    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ZEV, LET'S DO A GROUP PICTURE OF THE  
10   TWO.

11

12   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY.

13

14   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, JERRY. HANG ON. YOU MOVED  
15   THE CAMERA. [ INDISTINCT CONVERSATION ]

16

17   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW WE HAVE A LITTLE 10-WEEK-OLD  
18   TERRIER MIX NAMED PEPPER WHO HAS ALREADY BEEN NEUTERED AND HE  
19   IS LOOKING FOR A HOME. ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE WHO'D LIKE TO  
20   ADOPT PEPPER CAN CALL (562) 728-4644 AND LITTLE PEPPER CAN BE  
21   YOURS. LOOKS LIKE HE COULD AUDITION FOR A DISNEY MOVIE. SEE  
22   EVERYBODY, PEPPER? SEE EVERYBODY OUT THERE? LITTLE PEPPER. HOW  
23   ABOUT A LITTLE SALT? SUPERVISOR BURKE?

24



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1   **SUP. BURKE:** IS MR. MCINTIRE HERE? WE'D LIKE TO CALL MR. JOHN  
2   MCINTIRE FORWARD. JOHN MCINTIRE HAS SPENT A DISTINGUISHED 33-  
3   YEAR CAREER WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. HE CAME ON BOARD  
4   AS A SENIOR RESEARCH ANALYST WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
5   SERVICES, THEN HE MOVED TO THE RESPONSIBILITIES WITH THE D.A.  
6   AND THE CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS.  
7   THROUGH HIS OUTSTANDING SERVICES, HE ADVANCED TO HIS PRESENT  
8   POSITION AS ASSOCIATE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER, SENIOR  
9   INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CONSULTANT WITH THE CHIEF INFORMATION  
10   OFFICE. HE HAS RESEARCHED AND IMPLEMENTED SEVERAL KEY COMPUTER  
11   SYSTEMS THAT HAVE GREATLY BENEFITED THE RESIDENTS OF LOS  
12   ANGELES COUNTY. THIS INCLUDES RESEARCH ON THE EFFECT OF  
13   ALCOHOL ON DRIVING THAT HELP SUPPORT THE REDUCTION AND LEGAL  
14   BLOOD ALCOHOL LEVELS FROM .15 TO .108 [0.8] AND IMPLEMENTING  
15   THE AUTOMATED CHIEF SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT SYSTEM THAT  
16   SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASED COLLECTION FROM DELINQUENT PARENTS FOR  
17   CHILD SUPPORT. HE ALSO REPRESENTED THE COUNTY AS A TECHNICAL  
18   CONSULTANT TO NUMEROUS OUTSIDE AGENCIES, INCLUDING LOS ALAMOS,  
19   AND SANDIA NATIONAL LABORATORIES AND THE EUROPEAN UNION  
20   TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON WILD FOREST SIMULATION. ON  
21   BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, I WANT TO TAKE THIS  
22   OPPORTUNITY TO HIGHLY COMMEND JOHN MCINTIRE FOR HIS  
23   EXTRAORDINARY AND DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE COUNTY OF LOS  
24   ANGELES. WE HATE TO SEE YOU GO BUT 33 YEARS, WE APPRECIATE SO  
25   MUCH YOUR HARD SERVICE AND ALL OF YOUR WORK AND AN EXEMPLARY



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 EMPLOYEE OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU.  
2 HAVE MANY YEARS IN THE RETIREMENT THAT YOU ENJOY. [ APPLAUSE ]

3

4 **JOHN MCINTIRE:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BURKE AND THE BOARD OF  
5 SUPERVISORS. IT'S BEEN A DISTINGUISHED PLEASURE FOR ME TO WORK  
6 IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES WITH EXTREMELY DEDICATED,  
7 MOTIVATED AND CONSCIENTIOUS EMPLOYEES, AND I'VE FELT THEIR  
8 ENERGIZING SPIRIT IN A SENSE TO THE COMMITMENT TO THE  
9 COMMUNITY AT LARGE TO IMPROVE THE SERVICES AND THE LIFE STATUS  
10 OF PEOPLE IN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I AM VERY PLEASED TO HAVE  
11 THE OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE WORKED WITH SIGNIFICANTLY TALENTED  
12 MANAGERS, INCLUDING JON FULLINWIDER, WHO HAS BEEN A TREMENDOUS  
13 MENTOR IN HELPING ME UNDERSTAND THE SIGNIFICANCE OF ENTERPRISE  
14 SYSTEMS IN THE COUNTY. THANK YOU AGAIN, SUPERVISOR BURKE, AND  
15 THE BOARD. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME SAY THAT JOHN WAS THE REAL  
18 PERSON BEHIND OUR SEX OFFENDER WEBSITE THAT WE'RE ABLE TO GET  
19 UP AND OPERATING THROUGHOUT OUR COUNTY AND WHICH OTHER  
20 COUNTIES AND STATES HAVE LOOKED AT FOR THEIR TYPE OF SEXUAL  
21 PREDATOR WEBSITES FOR THEIR JURISDICTIONS, SO WORKING WITH  
22 ANNA PAPAGIAN, TONY BELL, KATHERINE BARGER IN MY OFFICE, WE  
23 APPRECIATE YOUR LEADERSHIP AND VISION IN THAT AREA VERY MUCH.

24





**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1   **JON FULLINWIDER:** MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, IT'S MY  
2   PLEASURE TO STAND HERE AND BASICALLY WISH JOHN A SINCERE  
3   FAREWELL. JOHN IS ONE OF THOSE PEOPLE THAT HAS TRULY MADE A  
4   DIFFERENCE IN HIS CAREER. IT'S BEEN MY PRIVILEGE AND HONOR TO  
5   HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH HIM. I THINK YOU LEARN FROM  
6   EVERYBODY AS YOU GO THROUGH, THROUGH YOUR CAREER, ET CETERA,  
7   I'VE CERTAINLY LEARNED A LOT FROM JOHN. THE COUNTY IS A BETTER  
8   PLACE BECAUSE OF JOHN MCINTIRE. HIS COMMITMENT TO THE SERVICE,  
9   HIS COMMITMENT TO THE PUBLIC, HIS COMMITMENT TO DOING THE  
10  RIGHT THINGS WITHIN THIS ORGANIZATION HAVE MADE THE COUNTY A  
11  BETTER PLACE AND HE WILL TRULY BE MISSED. THANK YOU. [  
12  APPLAUSE ]

13

14  **SUP. BURKE:** WE HAVE REPRESENTATIVES HERE FROM THE AMERICAN  
15  CANCER SOCIETY AND CANCER CONTINUES TO BE A SCOURGE OF ALL  
16  COMMUNITIES AND, FOR EXAMPLE, WHILE AFRICAN-AMERICAN MALES  
17  HAVE THE HIGHEST OVERALL CANCER RATES, ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDERS  
18  AND LATINOS HAVE SUBSTANTIALLY HIGHER RATES OF LIVER AND  
19  STOMACH CANCER. WOMEN IN THE ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER AND LATINO  
20  COMMUNITY ARE MORE LIKELY TO DEVELOP AND DIE FROM CERVICAL  
21  CANCER. AFRICAN-AMERICANS HAVE THE HIGHEST DEATH FROM COLON  
22  CANCER OF ANY RACIAL OR ETHNIC GROUP. AND COLORECTAL CANCER IS  
23  THE SECOND MOST COMMON CANCER IN LATINO MEN AND WOMEN AND  
24  CHINESE MEN AND WOMEN IN CALIFORNIA. SCREENING HOLDS  
25  TREMENDOUS POTENTIAL FOR PREVENTING AND TREATING COLORECTAL



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 CANCER BUT MOST WOMEN ARE NOT BEING SCREENED. LESS THAN 43% OF  
2 CALIFORNIANS OVER THE AGE OF 43 AND OVER THE AGE OF 50 REPORT  
3 HAVING A SCREENING FOR COLORECTAL CANCER IN THE LAST FIVE  
4 YEARS AND, AS A RESULT, ONLY ABOUT 41% OF THESE CANCERS WERE  
5 DIAGNOSED IN THE EARLY STAGE. APRIL 16TH THROUGH THE 22ND IS  
6 DEDICATED TO THE OBSERVATION OF NATIONAL MULTICULTURAL CANCER  
7 AWARENESS WEEK, WHICH IS FOCUSED THIS YEAR ON PROMOTING THE  
8 IMPORTANCE OF COLORECTAL CANCER SCREENING FOR ALL  
9 CALIFORNIANS. THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY IS DRAWING ATTENTION  
10 TO THIS WEEK AS PART OF ITS EFFORTS TO REDUCE CANCER INCIDENTS  
11 AND MORTALITY RATES AMONG MINORITY AND MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED  
12 POPULATIONS. AND I'D LIKE TO ADD THAT CERTAINLY I HAVE A REAL  
13 CONCERN FOR THAT. BOTH OF MY PARENTS DIED FROM COLON CANCER  
14 AND I KNOW HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO GET SCREENED AND FOR US TO  
15 PASS ON TO PEOPLE THAT THEY SHOULD DO THIS REGULARLY AND  
16 PARTICULARLY AMONG MINORITY GROUPS. AND, ON BEHALF OF THE  
17 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, I HEREBY DECLARE APRIL 16TH THROUGH 22ND  
18 NATIONAL MULTICULTURAL CANCER AWARENESS WEEK AND I URGE ALL  
19 COUNTY RESIDENTS TO GO TO THEIR DOCTOR, GET SCREENED AND SET  
20 UP REGULAR SCREENING.

21  
22 **CAROL JACKSON:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR BURKE. I'M CAROL  
23 JACKSON. I'M THE SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF THE CALIFORNIA  
24 DIVISION OF THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY AND WITH ME IS LORI  
25 LUDLOW, DIRECTOR OF YOUTH AND ADVOCACY. WE ARE VERY PLEASED TO



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 BE HERE TODAY TO SHARE WITH YOU THAT THIS YEAR MARKS THE 20TH  
2 ANNUAL NATIONAL MULTICULTURAL CANCER AWARENESS WEEK CAMPAIGN,  
3 WHICH DOES BRING ATTENTION, AS THE SUPERVISOR STATED, TO THE  
4 NEEDS OF THE DIVERSE AND UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES.  
5 PARTICIPATING IN NATIONAL MULTICULTURAL CANCER AWARENESS WEEK  
6 AFFORDS AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY THE ABILITY TO SHARE OUR  
7 COMMITMENT TO ELIMINATING THE DISPARITIES IN CANCER BURDEN  
8 AMONG DIVERSE COMMUNITIES BY REDUCING CANCER INCIDENTS,  
9 MORTALITY AND IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF LIFE. OUR SPECIAL  
10 PROGRAMS FOR NATIONAL MULTICULTURAL CANCER AWARENESS WEEK IN  
11 LOS ANGELES COUNTY WILL EMPHASIZE OUR LIFE- SAVING IMPORTANCE  
12 OF CANCER SCREENING, PARTICULARLY RELATED TO COLON CANCER. AND  
13 WE'RE ALSO LOOKING TO SHARE OUR ACTIVITIES THROUGH FREE  
14 EDUCATIONAL FORUMS, AWARENESS MESSAGES AND ADVERTISING IN  
15 AFRICAN-AMERICAN SPANISH LANGUAGE, CHINESE AND KOREAN MEDIA  
16 AND AWARENESS ACTIVITIES IN OUR LOCAL COMMUNITIES. SO THANK  
17 YOU SO MUCH FOR THIS RECOGNITION TODAY AND SHARING THE  
18 IMPORTANCE OF MULTICULTURAL CANCER AWARENESS WEEK. [ APPLAUSE  
19 ]

20  
21 **SUP. BURKE:** THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATIONS.

22  
23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

24  
25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NOTHING.



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1

2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, LADIES  
5 AND GENTLEMEN, I'D LIKE TO AND STEVE WITT, WHO IS THE C.E.O.  
6 OF COLLEGE HOSPITAL IN CERRITOS, TO JOIN ME ALONG WITH RICHARD  
7 LEWIS AND GAYLE JONES AND LORRAINE BARBER AND RITA MURRAY.  
8 TODAY, IT GIVES ME GREAT PLEASURE TO HONOR REPRESENTATIVES  
9 FROM COLLEGE HOSPITAL AND THE "STEPPING IN" CONFERENCE  
10 PLANNING COMMITTEE IN RECOGNITION OF OUR TENTH YEAR OF THE  
11 "STEPPING IN" CONFERENCE. THE "STEPPING IN" CONFERENCE WAS  
12 CREATED 10 YEARS AGO TO PROVIDE FIRST RESPONDERS WITH ONGOING  
13 TRAINING NEEDED TO DEAL WITH PEOPLE WHO HAVE A MENTAL ILLNESS.  
14 THIS CONFERENCE IS ESPECIALLY UNIQUE IN THAT IT PROVIDES THE  
15 TRAINING FOR BOTH LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL AS WELL AS MENTAL  
16 HEALTH PROFESSIONALS AT THE SAME TIME. THESE PARTNERSHIPS ARE  
17 CRITICAL TO BOTH GROUPS, WHO OFTEN RESPOND TOGETHER TO THESE  
18 INCIDENTS. THE "STEPPING IN" CONFERENCE NOT ONLY PROVIDES THE  
19 FIRST RESPONDERS WITH THE NECESSARY TOOLS TO DO THEIR JOBS IN  
20 THE SAFEST MANNER BUT ALSO IT HELPS BOTH GROUPS TO BETTER  
21 UNDERSTAND AND APPRECIATE THE JOBS THAT EACH OF THEM DO EACH  
22 AND EVERY DAY ON BEHALF OF THE CITIZENS OF THIS GREAT COUNTY.  
23 SO I WANT TO THANK COLLEGE HOSPITAL FOR STEPPING UP AND BEING  
24 WITH US FROM DAY ONE, PROVIDING THE STAFF AND FUNDING TO MAKE  
25 THIS CONFERENCE FREE TO ALL ITS PARTICIPANTS AND THE PLANNING



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 COMMITTEE FOR THEIR HARD WORK, WHICH MAKES THE CONFERENCE A  
2 SUCCESS EACH AND EVERY SINGLE YEAR. WE STARTED OUT, AS I SAY  
3 SO MANY TIMES AT THE CONFERENCE, OUR FIRST YEAR, 10 YEARS AGO,  
4 LUCKY TO GET 80 OR 90 PEOPLE. THIS YEAR WE HAD OVER 500 MENTAL  
5 HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY PROFESSIONALS WORKING TOGETHER. SO IT  
6 JUST KEEPS GETTING BIGGER AND BIGGER EACH YEAR BUT IT WOULD  
7 NEVER HAVE HAPPENED WITHOUT COLLEGE HOSPITAL AND OUR GREAT  
8 PLANNING COMMITTEE. SO WE WANT TO PRESENT THIS SCROLL TO THESE  
9 FOLKS IN RECOGNITION OF OUR TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE "STEPPING  
10 IN" CONFERENCE. CONGRATULATIONS AND, MOST IMPORTANTLY, THANK  
11 YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

12

13 **STEVE WITT:** ON BEHALF OF COLLEGE HOSPITAL OF CERRITOS, I AM  
14 VERY HUMBLLED AND HONORED AND VERY EXCITED TO RECEIVE THIS  
15 BEAUTIFUL SCROLL. I WANT TO PARTICULARLY THANK SUPERVISOR DON  
16 KNABE, WHO HAS BEEN A TIRELESS ADVOCATE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL  
17 AND AN ADVOCATE FOR BRINGING MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS AND  
18 LAW ENFORCEMENT TOGETHER. THANK YOU, DON. [ APPLAUSE ]

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S IT, MIKE.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. LET ME MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN  
23 TODAY IN MEMORY OF PAUL HIGA, WHO IS THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
24 CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER WHO PASSED AWAY ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON.  
25 HE STARTED WORKING AT THE COUNTY OVER 30 YEARS AGO, WHEN HE



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 WAS 22 YEARS OLD. HE WORKED HIS WAY UP AT THE 5,200 EMPLOYEE  
2 PROBATION DEPARTMENT, GETTING THE TOP POSITION JUST A YEAR  
3 AGO, LAST APRIL. THE DEPARTMENT OVERSEES MORE THAN 80,000  
4 ADULTS AND JUVENILE OFFENDERS. HE WAS AN EXTREMELY CARING MAN  
5 WHO WAS DEDICATED TO OUR YOUTH AND SERVICE TO THE ENTIRE  
6 STATE. HE WAS A VISIONARY. CHIEF PROBATION DEPUTY BOB TAYLOR  
7 SAID IN HIS STATEMENT, PAUL IS RECOGNIZED THE LEADERSHIP THAT  
8 PAUL HAD PROVIDED THE DEPARTMENT IN HIS SHORT TENURE. HE IS  
9 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, JANE, AND HIS CHILDREN, JOSH AND  
10 JENNIFER. THERE IS A MEMORIAL SERVICE ON SATURDAY AT THE  
11 PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN SANTA BARBARA. I BELIEVE IT'S AT 2:00  
12 IN THE AFTERNOON. BUT IT WAS A PLEASURE TO WORK WITH HIM AND,  
13 WHILE THERE WERE SOME IMMEDIATE PROBLEMS THAT HAD TAKEN PLACE  
14 AT THE CAMPS THIS PAST MONTH, HE TOOK DECISIVE ACTION AND  
15 FIRED THOSE WHO WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR DERELICT OF DUTY.  
16 SO HE ASSUMED A POSITION, TOOK IMMEDIATE ACTION AND, AS A  
17 RESULT, WAS RESTORING ACCOUNTABILITY AT THAT DEPARTMENT. SO WE  
18 ADJOURN IN HIS MEMORY. WE'LL HAVE ALL MEMBERS ON THAT.

19  
20 **SUP. KNABE:** ALL MEMBERS.

21  
22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER ED JONES OF THE  
23 BONITA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. HE HAD SERVED SINCE 1991 AND  
24 HE REGULARLY VISITED THE SCHOOLS WHERE HE PARTICIPATED IN THE  
25 READING PROGRAMS IN SAN DIMAS. MARIA PADILLA, WHO WAS A





**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 DESCENDANT OF THE FIVE CALIFORNIA FAMILIES THAT WERE INVOLVED  
2 WITH FATHER SARA AND THE FOUNDING OF THE BEGINNINGS OF LOS  
3 ANGELES COUNTY. THAT WAS THE SAN GABRIEL MISSION. SHE DIED IN  
4 HER HOME IN WHITTIER NEAR HER FAMILY'S ANCESTRAL LAND, THE  
5 PROTERO CHICO LAND GRANT FROM THE KING OF SPAIN. SHE WAS  
6 PREDECEASED BY HER HUSBAND, FRANK, AND HER DAUGHTER,  
7 CARMELITA. A LADY I HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH AS A  
8 SUPERVISOR WAS EUNICE CHESLER, WHO WAS THE VICE PRESIDENT,  
9 EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT OF STUDIO-COMMUNITY RELATIONS AT  
10 PARAMOUNT STUDIOS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER, JANET, AND  
11 HER SISTER, SARA, SISTER-IN-LAW, ADELE BELL, MANY GREAT-  
12 GRANDCHILDREN. EUNICE ALSO IS QUITE INVOLVED IN THE FOSTER  
13 ABUSE CHILDREN PROGRAMS AND WAS-- SPENT MANY HOURS ENSURING  
14 THAT THERE WOULD BE HOPE AND OPPORTUNITY FOR CHILDREN WHO WERE  
15 ABUSED AND SHE PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 2ND.

16  
17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'D LIKE TO BE-- JOIN ON THAT ONE, EUNICE  
18 CHESLER.

19  
20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MARIA ARRIETA, A EMPLOYEE WITH THE LOS  
21 ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. SHE PASSED AWAY ON MARCH  
22 29TH AT 50 YEARS OF AGE. SHE SERVED THE DEPARTMENT FROM JULY  
23 17TH, 1979 THROUGH MARCH 29TH OF THIS YEAR. DR. KENDALL BROWN.  
24 HE WAS A RESIDENT OF GLENDALE FOR 54 YEARS. HE PASSED AWAY  
25 NINE DAYS SHORT OF HIS 96TH BIRTHDAY. HE SERVED IN WORLD WAR



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 II AS THE MEDICAL OFFICER ON THE AIRCRAFT CARRIER U.S.S.  
2 KIRSARG DURING WORLD WAR II. HE SPECIALIZED IN PEDIATRICS AND  
3 HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, LEONA, AND DAUGHTERS, NANCY AND  
4 SUSIE. ANOTHER WONDERFUL PERSON I HAD WORKED WITH WHEN I FIRST  
5 BECAME A MEMBER OF THE BOARD WAS IRENE COMADURAN, WHO WAS A--  
6 WORKED FOR SUPERVISOR PETER SHABARUM AND, PRIOR TO THAT,  
7 WORKED FOR SUPERVISOR FRANK BONELLI AND FOR THE LOS ANGELES  
8 COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT. LOS ANGELES COUNTY NATIVE,  
9 MAGGIE DIXON, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 28. SHE WAS THE  
10 HEAD BASKETBALL COACH AT ARMY. SHE PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 6TH.  
11 THIS YEAR, ARMY WON 20 GAMES FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE 1991  
12 WHEN IT HAD WON THE PATRIOT LEAGUE REGULAR SEASON IN THE  
13 TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONSHIPS, LANDING IN THE N.C.A.A. TOURNAMENT  
14 FOR THE FIRST TIME. ARMY DEFEATED BY COMING DOWN FROM 11  
15 POINTS DOWN IN THE SECOND HALF TO BEAT HOLY CROSS 69 TO 68 TO  
16 WIN THE CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP FOR ARMY WOMEN'S BASKETBALL  
17 TEAM. AND ALSO PATRICIA RYAN IRWIN, SHE WAS A SUPER MOM, AS  
18 SHE WAS CALLED. SHE WAS A MEMBER OF THE THIRD ORDER OF THE  
19 FRANCISCANS, OFTEN FREQUENTED THE FIRST A.M.E. CHURCH WITH HER  
20 FAMILY. SHE PASSED AWAY ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEATH OF  
21 POPE JOHN PAUL II, WHOM SHE ADMIRER GREATLY. SHE IS SURVIVED  
22 BY HER FIVE CHILDREN AND 19 GRANDCHILDREN AND TWO GREAT-  
23 GRANDCHILDREN. AND ED BERRY OF BURBANK WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE  
24 AGE OF 78. SECONDED BY BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. I  
25 WOULD LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE OFFER A \$10,000 REWARD IN EXCHANGE



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 FOR INFORMATION THAT WILL ASSIST IN THE ARREST AND CONVICTION  
2 OF THE SUSPECT OR SUSPECTS WHO FATALLY SHOT AND KILLED 35-  
3 YEAR-OLD ERIC BUCKLEY AROUND 5:00 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5TH  
4 OF THIS MONTH ON SALAS STREET IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF  
5 INDUSTRY. ERIC WAS A RESIDENT OF DUARTE AND HE WAS WALKING  
6 HOME FROM WORK IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF INDUSTRY WHEN HE  
7 WAS SHOT. SO THE SHERIFF'S HOMICIDE BUREAU IS SEEKING  
8 INFORMATION THAT MAY ASSIST THEM IN THEIR INVESTIGATION.  
9 SECONDED BY BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THE INTERNAL  
10 SERVICES DEPARTMENT HAS ESTABLISHED CONTRACTS WITH SEVERAL  
11 APPROVED VENDORS FOR THE MANUFACTURING AND DUPLICATION OF  
12 LETTERHEADS, BUSINESS CARDS WHICH BEAR COUNTY INTELLECTUAL  
13 PROPERTY. HOWEVER, THE EXISTING CONTRACTS DO NOT CONTAIN  
14 LANGUAGE INFORMING THE CONTRACTORS THAT SUCH ITEMS AS THE  
15 COUNTY SEAL OR THE SHERIFF'S STAR ARE COUNTY INTELLECTUAL  
16 PROPERTY. TO PROTECT AGAINST MISUSE OR ABUSE OF MANUFACTURING  
17 OR DUPLICATION OF COUNTY INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY, VENDORS SHOULD  
18 BE RESTRICTED TO ACCEPTING REQUESTS MADE ONLY BY AUTHORIZED  
19 PURCHASING AGENTS OF THE COUNTY. I'D MOVE THAT THE BOARD  
20 DIRECT THE DIRECTOR OF THE INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT TO  
21 WORK WITH COUNTY COUNSEL TO AMEND THE COUNTY EXISTING  
22 CONTRACTS WITH VENDORS TO PREVENT MISUSE OR ABUSE OF SUCH  
23 PROPERTY. THE AMENDMENT SHOULD INCLUDE LANGUAGE THAT INFORMS  
24 VENDORS TO RESTRICT THE USE OF COUNTY INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY  
25 EXCLUSIVELY TO PURCHASING AGENTS MADE BY AUTHORIZED PURCHASING



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 AGENTS OF THE COUNTY. THE DIRECTOR SHOULD ALSO INFORM THE  
2 BOARD OF HIS ACTIONS AND THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT IN TWO WEEKS.  
3 SO THIS IS A REPORT BACK, RAY, TO THE BOARD IN TWO WEEKS.  
4 OKAY. SECONDED BY KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. AND  
5 THEN I BELIEVE WE HAVE TO-- I DON'T KNOW IF WE CAN PASS THIS  
6 TODAY OR PUT IT ON FOR NEXT WEEK. EACH YEAR, MORE THAN 4,000  
7 EMANCIPATED YOUTH FROM OUR FOSTER CARE SYSTEM-- STUDIES HAVE  
8 FOUND THAT MOST OF THESE YOUTHS DO NOT HAVE THE RESOURCES OR  
9 SUPPORT TO SUCCEED. STATEWIDE, 65% OF THOSE EMANCIPATED YOUTH  
10 DO NOT HAVE STABLE HOUSING WHEN THEY LEAVE FOSTER CARE. SENATE  
11 BILL 1576 BY KEVIN MURRAY PROPOSES TO FULLY FUND THE  
12 TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PLACEMENT PLUS PROGRAM FOR TRANSITIONAL  
13 AGED YOUTH. I'D MOVE THAT THE BOARD SEND A 5-SIGNATURE LETTER  
14 TO SENATOR KEVIN MURRAY WITH COPIES TO THE GOVERNOR AND THE  
15 COUNTY'S LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION IN SUPPORT OF THIS  
16 LEGISLATION, SO THAT WOULD BE FOR NEXT WEEK? FOR NEXT WEEK.  
17 OKAY. AND THE GOVERNOR OF NEW HAMPSHIRE AND STATE OFFICIALS  
18 RECENTLY UNVEILED A WEBSITE FOR PARENTS TO GET INFORMATION  
19 ABOUT LICENSING VIOLATIONS AT CHILDCARE CENTERS. THE WEBSITE  
20 LISTS LICENSED CHILDCARE CENTERS ACROSS THE STATE AND A  
21 SUMMARY OF ANY CRITICAL VIOLATIONS AND EASY ACCESSIBILITY TO  
22 CORRECTIVE ACTION FOR PARENTS. LOS ANGELES COUNTY OUGHT TO  
23 ESTABLISH A SIMILAR WEBSITE IN COLLABORATION WITH THE  
24 CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY CARE LICENSING. SO I'D MOVE THAT THE  
25 BOARD DIRECT THE CIO AND THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SOCIAL



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 SERVICES TO WORK WITH THE STATE COMMUNITY CARE LICENSING TO  
2 EXPLORE CREATING A CHILDCARE WEBSITE THAT WOULD SHOW  
3 REGISTERED CHILDCARE CENTERS IN VICINITIES TO A PARENT'S HOME  
4 ADDRESS AND ANY VIOLATIONS THAT HAVE OCCURRED AND CORRECTIVE  
5 ACTION PLANS TAKEN. THIS IS A REPORT. CAN THIS BE DONE TODAY,  
6 RAY, WITH A REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD? AND HAVE THAT REPORT  
7 BACK IN TWO WEEKS? OKAY. SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT  
8 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. JOANN, THAT'S THAT MOTION. OKAY. LET'S  
9 DO THE HEARING FIRST. ITEM NUMBER 47, WHICH IS A PUBLIC  
10 HEARING.

11

12 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** HEARING ON PROPOSED EXTENSION OF INTERIM  
13 URGENCY ORDINANCE WHICH TEMPORARILY PROHIBITS THE DEVELOPMENT  
14 OF MULTIFAMILY RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION IN R-3 ZONE PROPERTIES  
15 IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF LA CRESCENTA/MONTROSE UNLESS A  
16 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT IS FIRST APPLIED FOR AND APPROVED. WILL  
17 ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR  
18 RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN? [ ADMINISTERING OATH ]

19

20 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** THANK YOU. PLEASE BE SEATED.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SHANESSIAN, LISA DITMAN, SERCO  
23 CARIRIAN AND PHILIP BEITROULICE, B-E-I-T-P-O-V-L-I-C-E. AS  
24 THEY'RE COMING UP, WE'D HAVE A REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT.

25



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1   **RON HOFMANN:** GOOD MORNING, MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.  
2   I'M RON HOFMANN FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING. THIS  
3   IS A HEARING THIS MORNING TO EXTEND INTERIM ORDINANCE 2006-  
4   0051U WHICH WAS ADOPTED BY YOUR BOARD MARCH 7TH, 2006,  
5   TEMPORARILY REQUIRING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR MULTI-  
6   FAMILY RESIDENCES IN THE R-3 ZONE OF THE LA CRESCENTA/MONTROSE  
7   AREA. UNLESS EXTENDED, THIS ORDINANCE WILL EXPIRE ON APRIL  
8   20TH, 2006. IF EXTENDED, THE INTERIM ORDINANCE WOULD CONTINUE  
9   'TIL MARCH 6TH, 2007. DURING THE PERIOD, SHOULD THE URGENCY  
10   ORDINANCE BE EXTENDED, THE STAFF WOULD BE CONDUCTING A ZONING  
11   STUDY TO LOOK AT THE ZONING PATTERNS, THE REASONABLENESS OF  
12   EXISTING ZONING. WE WOULD BE CONTACTING VARIOUS PUBLIC  
13   AGENCIES TO DETERMINE THE VALIDITY OF THE CONCERNS ADDRESSED  
14   BY THE COMMUNITY RELATED TO SUCH ITEMS AS SCHOOL OVERCROWDING  
15   AND WATER ISSUES, AND WE WOULD BE HOLDING A COMMUNITY MEETING  
16   TO BRING THE ISSUES TO THE PUBLIC AND HEAR FROM THE RESIDENTS.  
17   NOTICES WERE SENT TO ALL RESIDENT PROPERTY OWNERS IN LA  
18   CRESCENTA/MONTROSE WITH SPECIAL NOTICES GOING TO THE OWNERS OF  
19   THE R-3 PROPERTY. THAT CONCLUDES STAFF PRESENTATION.

20

21   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WHAT IS YOUR NAME?

22

23   **SHANT OHANESSIAN:** AH, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS SHANT  
24   OHANESSIAN.

25





**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. HOLD ON ONE SECOND. IS LISA  
2   DITMAN HERE? DO YOU WANT TO COME UP? IS SERCO CARIRIAN HERE?  
3   OKAY. YOU'RE COMING UP. IS PHILIP HERE? YOU'RE PHILIP. OKAY.  
4   IS SERCO HERE? S-E-R-C-O? HE'S NOT HERE? DANETTE ERICKSON,  
5   OKAY, YOU WANT TO COME UP? YES, SIR?

6

7   **SHANT OHANESSIAN:** YES, SIR. I'M A PROPERTY OWNER IN MONTROSE.  
8   JUST RECENTLY PURCHASED THIS PROPERTY IN MONTROSE JUST FOR  
9   INVESTMENT REASONS. SO THIS ORDINANCE, I OPPOSE THIS ORDINANCE  
10  BECAUSE IT WILL DEFINITELY CAUSE A FINANCIAL HARDSHIP ON ME.  
11  AGAIN, IT WAS PURCHASED AS A LONG-TIME INVESTMENT. I'M NOT  
12  SOME BIG DEVELOPER OR, YOU KNOW, AND BASICALLY THAT'S THE  
13  REASON WHY I OPPOSE IT. IN MY CASE, THE PROPERTY SITS ON A  
14  MAIN BOULEVARD...

15

16  **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHAT'S THE ADDRESS?

17

18  **SHANT OHANESSIAN:** IT'S 4360 MONTROSE, AND IS COMPLETELY  
19  SURROUNDED BY APARTMENT BUILDINGS AND CONDOMINIUMS. IT IS A  
20  SMALL PROPERTY, SO PROBABLY BE ABLE TO PUT A MAXIMUM OF EIGHT  
21  UNITS ON IT. AND, AGAIN, IT IS NOT INTENDED TO GO OFF FOR  
22  SALE, IT'S JUST AN INVESTMENT, LONG-TERM INVESTMENT FOR US.

23

24  **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY.

25



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1   **SHANT OHANESSIAN:** AND ALSO THE PROPERTY IS A TEAR-DOWN  
2   PROPERTY, WHICH WE HEAR THAT A LOT OF KIDS IN THE AREA HUNG  
3   AROUND AND DID DRUGS, SO I'M SURE THE NEIGHBORS ARE MORE THAN  
4   HAPPY FOR US PURCHASING THE PROPERTY AND TURNING INTO  
5   SOMETHING, YOU KNOW, DECENT FOR THE AREA.

6

7   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY.

8

9   **SHANT OHANESSIAN:** THANK YOU.

10

11   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. OKAY. WHOEVER. DANETTE?  
12   BEFORE YOU-- LET ME CALL UP DENNIS KENNEDY. DENNIS KENNEDY?  
13   YES?

14

15   **DANETTE ERICKSON:** HI, I'M DANETTE ERICKSON. I AM ONE OF THE  
16   MEMBERS OF THE CRESCENTA VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL. I HAVE BEEN AT  
17   MANY A TOWN COUNCIL MEETING WHERE THE COMMUNITY HAS COME OUT  
18   IN GREAT CONCERNS OVER THE FAST APPROACHING OF OVERCROWDING,  
19   TOO MANY CONDOS. I KNOW IT'S HARD TO PLEASE ALL OF THE PEOPLE  
20   BUT I THINK THIS STUDY IS VITALLY NEEDED. OUR SCHOOLS ARE  
21   GREATLY OVERCROWDED. WE HAVE SO MANY RESIDENTS, RENTERS,  
22   COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHO ARE VERY CONCERNED WITH US LOSING THE  
23   SMALL TOWN APPEAL OF MONTROSE AND WE NEED THIS STUDY TO  
24   CONTROL ZONING, CONTROL GROWTH AND I REALLY RECOMMEND WE  
25   CONTINUE WITH THE STUDY. THANK YOU.



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1

2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, DANETTE. YES, MA'AM?

3

4 **LISA DITMAN:** MY NAME IS LISA DITMAN AND I'M HERE REPRESENTING  
5 MR. PHILIP BEITROULICE, WHO OWNS PROPERTY LOCATED ON PARK  
6 PLACE NEAR VERDUGO AVENUE. WE ACTUALLY HAVE A GROUP WHO IS  
7 SPEAKING HERE TODAY ABOUT THIS PARTICULAR PIECE OF PROPERTY,  
8 AND WE PROBABLY SHOULD COME UP TOGETHER. I JUST WANTED TO MAKE  
9 THE POINT THAT HIS PROPERTY IS SITUATED NOT RIGHT NEXT TO  
10 SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCES. IT'S VERY CLOSE TO VERDUGO, WHICH IS  
11 A MAJOR ROAD, AND THIS BOARD DID A VERY APPROPRIATE THING LAST  
12 FEBRUARY WHEN IT EXEMPTED PROJECTS THAT HAVE PENDING SITE PLAN  
13 REVIEWS THAT ARE LOCATED ON MAJOR OR SECONDARY HIGHWAYS AND  
14 MR. BEITROULICE HAS BEEN DILIGENTLY PURSUING A SIGHT PLAN  
15 REVIEW WITH THE COUNTY SINCE AUGUST 2004 AND WE BELIEVE THAT  
16 HIS PROPERTY IS ALSO APPROPRIATELY EXEMPTED FROM THIS  
17 ORDINANCE. WE SUPPORT THE STUDY. IT'S A GOOD IDEA TO BE  
18 LOOKING AT THIS COMMUNITY AND WE APPRECIATE THE DEDICATION  
19 THAT THIS BOARD HAS SHOWN BUT, WITH HIS PROPERTY, HE'S  
20 SURROUNDED BY APARTMENTS AND COMMERCIAL AND RIGHT NEXT TO THE  
21 ROAD AND HE'S LESS DENSE THAN HIS NEIGHBORS, HAS MORE OPEN  
22 SPACE THAN HIS NEIGHBORS AND GREEN SPACE THAN HIS NEIGHBORS.  
23 HE'S BENEATH THE HEIGHT REQUIREMENT. HE'S PROPOSING 27 UNITS  
24 INSTEAD OF THE 40 HE COULD GET WITH A C.U.P. AND HE HAS  
25 REDESIGNED HIS PROJECT TO AVOID ALL THE OAK TREES IN WORKING



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 WITH THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT FOR SEVERAL YEARS NOW. SO I WOULD  
2 LIKE TO INTRODUCE PHILIP AND HAVE HIM TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT  
3 HIS PROPERTY AND HIS PROJECT.

4

5 **PHILIP BEITROULICE:** THANK YOU, LISA. GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS  
6 PHILIP BEITROULICE. I'M-- MY BACKGROUND IS ENGINEERING. I'M 22  
7 YEARS BEING LAND DEVELOPER AND BUILDER. THANK YOU. I DID, AT  
8 MAY 2004, I ENTERED INTO AN AGREEMENT TO PURCHASE THIS  
9 PROPERTY. PRIOR TO THE PURCHASING, WE HAD ALL THE  
10 INVESTIGATION AND STUDY BE DONE. WE WERE WORKING WITH THE  
11 STAFF, COUNTY PLANNING STAFF, VERY CLOSELY AND THEY  
12 RECOMMENDED, YES, THEY WILL GIVE US A PERMIT FROM 28-- 27  
13 UNITS TO 43 UNITS, SO WE DECIDED WE'RE GOING TO SAVE ALL THE  
14 OAK TREES AND HAVE BETTER ENVIRONMENTAL OVER THERE ON THE  
15 PROJECT AND WE HAVE-- WE DID THAT SO THEREFORE WE CAME WITH 27  
16 UNITS. ACTUALLY, WE COME WITH 24 UNITS BECAUSE WE HAVE THREE  
17 EXISTING HOMES OVER THERE. SO WHAT WE ARE ADDING ONLY 24 AND  
18 RECENTLY WE FIND OUT THERE HAS BEEN REALLY BAD APPLE OVER  
19 THERE WHICH IS EVERYBODY, THEY DISLIKE THE PROJECT AS WE BUILD  
20 IT. IT LOOKS LIKE IT'S OVER HEIGHT LIMIT AND EVERYTHING LIKE  
21 THAT. SO, HOWEVER, THIS PROJECT IS BY THE-- LIMITED TO THE  
22 HEIGHT AND WE HAVE A LOT OF THE GREEN AREA OVER THERE, GREEN  
23 SPACE AND OPEN SPACE, AND WE HAVE APPROXIMATELY TWO-ACRE  
24 PARCEL, WHICH IS WE CAN BUILD UP TO 43 UNITS BUT ONLY WE GOING  
25 WITH THE 27, WHICH IS THREE OF THOSE IS EXISTING. WE EXCEEDING



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 ON THE PARKING REQUIREMENT BY THE CITY. WE ARE GOING 10% OVER  
2 THE PARKING AND WE WILL OFFER ALSO TO GIVE ANOTHER 10% OVER  
3 PARKING SPACES THAN THE CODE REQUIRES. WE ARE PROUD OF WHAT WE  
4 HAVE THOUGH WE ARE ABOUT THREE MINUTES WALKING DISTANCE TO  
5 BEAUTIFUL OF DOWNTOWN. WE HAVE LARGE UNITS WITH BIG OPEN  
6 SPACE. THESE UNITS, THERE ARE NOT AS THE OTHER PROJECT WHICH  
7 WAS-- THE DENSITY, THEY ARE SO DENSE, AS YOU CAN SEE. I'VE  
8 JUST BROUGHT OTHER PROJECTS I HAVE ABOUT-- IN THE CITY OF  
9 BURBANK, ABOUT OVER 108 UNITS I'M BUILDING AT THIS TIME IN  
10 CITY OF BURBANK AND THIS IS ANOTHER ONE. THIS IS THEY CALL IT  
11 DENSE. AND I AM SURROUNDED BY TYPICAL OF THIS KIND OF THIS  
12 PROJECT AT THE CITY OF MONTROSE BUT MY PROJECT, AS YOU CAN  
13 SEE, IF I TAKE IT BACK AND SHOW YOU THE OTHER ONE, COMPARE IT,  
14 IS ALL THE OPEN SPACE. AND I WOULD APPRECIATE YOU EXEMPT ME OF  
15 THIS MATTER. FURTHER TO THAT, I HAVE TO SAY, THE COUNTY HAS  
16 DONE NEGLIGENT FOR EIGHT MONTHS, THEY HAVE LOST MY APPLICATION  
17 AND, IF THEY DID NOT LOSE MY APPLICATION, I WOULD NOT BE HERE  
18 TODAY. AND NOW THEY'RE TAKING ME HOSTAGE FOR THEY MISTAKE,  
19 THEY NEGLIGENCE, THEY HAVE DONE THE STAFF OF THE PLANNING. I  
20 HAVE NOTHING FURTHER TO SAY. THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** BEFORE YOU SPEAK, ARVIN SAHAKIAN,  
23 CAROLINE RAZAVI, SHARON WEISMAN. YES, SIR.

24



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 **DENNIS KENNEDY:** GOOD MORNING, MAYOR ANTONOVICH AND  
2 SUPERVISORS. I'M DENNIS KENNEDY. I HAPPEN TO BE THE MAYOR OF  
3 CITY OF MORGAN HILL AND I HAVE KNOWN MR. BEITROULICE AND MR.  
4 RAZAVI FOR MANY YEARS AND I'M HERE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF  
5 THEIR REQUEST TO EXTEND THE EXEMPTION TO INCLUDE THIS PROJECT.  
6 MR. BEITROULICE HAS DONE PROJECTS IN MORGAN HILL, IN THE CITY  
7 OF SAN JOSE AS WELL AS IN BURBANK AND I KNOW HIS PROJECTS TO  
8 BE QUALITY PROJECTS THAT FIT WELL WITHIN THE SURROUNDING  
9 COMMUNITY. WE ARE ONE OF TWO PROJECTS WITH SITE PLAN REVIEW  
10 PENDING BEFORE THE COUNTY THAT WOULD BE REQUIRED TO APPLY FOR  
11 HIS CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT AND WE WANT TO THANK THE BOARD FOR  
12 THIS OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD ON SUCH AN IMPORTANT ISSUE AND WE  
13 COMMEND THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S  
14 OFFICE FOR THEIR HARD WORK ON THIS URGENCY ORDINANCE. WE, OF  
15 COURSE, WANT TO DEVELOP THIS PROJECT AND BELIEVE THAT IT WILL  
16 BE APPROPRIATE FOR AND BENEFIT THE UNIQUE MONTROSE COMMUNITY.  
17 MORGAN HILL, LIKE MONTROSE, IS A SMALL, SELF-CONTAINED  
18 COMMUNITY AND WE ALL LOVE COMMUNITIES. MONTROSE HAS A  
19 WONDERFUL DOWNTOWN AND THIS PROJECT IS LOCATED WITHIN A 3-  
20 MINUTE WALKING DISTANCE OF THE DOWNTOWN OF MONTROSE. IT WILL  
21 ALLOW A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO EASILY WALK AND  
22 SHOP, DINE IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA. MR. BEITROULICE WILL SAVE ALL  
23 OF THE TREES ON THE SITE, PROVIDE LARGE AMOUNTS OF OPEN SPACE,  
24 BUILD A PROJECT THAT PROVIDES MORE OFF-SITE PARKING OR MORE  
25 ON-SITE PARKING THAN IS REQUIRED, AT LEAST 10% MORE THAN IS





**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1   REQUIRED, AND, IN GENERAL, WILL DO AN EXCELLENT QUALITY  
2   PROJECT. SO I WANT TO REQUEST THAT THE BOARD PROVIDE AN  
3   EXEMPTION. WE HAVE BEEN IN THE PROCESS SINCE AUGUST OF 2004.  
4   UNFORTUNATELY, THE APPLICATION WAS LOST OR MISPLACED FOR A  
5   PERIOD OF SIX TO EIGHT MONTHS. THAT HAS PUSHED US BACK IN THIS  
6   SITUATION THAT WE'RE CAUGHT UP IN THIS MORATORIUM. IT HAS  
7   IMPOSED A GREAT HARDSHIP ON THE RAZAVI FAMILY AND CARLINE  
8   RAZAVI WILL SPEAK MOMENTARILY ABOUT THE COST. IT'S RUNNING  
9   ABOUT \$40,000 PER MONTH IN TERMS OF INTEREST AND TAXES JUST TO  
10  HOLD THIS PROJECT. ANY FURTHER DELAY WILL IMPOSE A GREAT  
11  BURDEN ON THE RAZAVI FAMILY. SO WE BELIEVE THAT THIS PROJECT  
12  FITS WITHIN THE CONCEPT OF WHAT MONTROSE WOULD LIKE TO SEE,  
13  IT'S A WONDERFUL PROJECT WITHIN EASY WALKING DISTANCE OF THE  
14  DOWNTOWN AND WILL ACTUALLY BENEFIT THE MONTROSE COMMUNITY.  
15  THANK YOU.

16

17  **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. WHOEVER.

18

19  **SHARON WEISMAN:** I'M SHARON WEISMAN. I'M REPRESENTING CRESCENTA  
20  VALLEY HERITAGE. AND I STAFF A TABLE AT THE MONTROSE HARVEST  
21  MARKET TWICE A MONTH AND THE VAST MAJORITY OF THE PEOPLE OF  
22  THE COMMUNITY WHO COME BY DO NOT WANT HUGE APARTMENT BUILDINGS  
23  AND CONDOMINIUM DEVELOPMENTS IN THAT AREA. THEY WANT TO RETAIN  
24  THE HUMAN SCALE CHARACTER OF THE AREA FOR THE FAMILIES,  
25  WHETHER THEY'RE OWNERS OF THE PROPERTY OR RENTERS AND



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 CRESCENTA VALLEY HERITAGE DOES NOT OPPOSE RESPONSIBLE  
2 DEVELOPMENT AND INDEED SEVERAL LARGE PROJECTS ARE ALREADY  
3 UNDERWAY AND APPROVED AND MY UNDERSTANDING IS IT'S NOT A  
4 MORATORIUM ON BUILDING, IT'S MERELY A REQUIREMENT FOR A  
5 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR MULTI-FAMILY BUILDINGS SO THAT  
6 THERE IS REVIEW FROM EVERYONE, EVERYONE WHO IS AFFECTED. I  
7 PERSONALLY LIVE IN THE CITY OF GLENDALE, WHICH IS VERY NEAR--  
8 IT'S LA CRESCENTA BUT IT'S A DIFFERENT JURISDICTION AND WE ARE  
9 CONCERNED WITH OUR NEIGHBORS' QUALITY OF LIFE ALSO. WE WANT TO  
10 HAVE THOUGHTFUL, CAREFUL CONSIDERATION OF THE EFFECTS OF  
11 DEVELOPMENT, NOT ONLY ON THE IMMEDIATE NEIGHBORS BUT THE WHOLE  
12 AREA, AND WE HOPE YOU CONSIDER EXTENDING THIS, AGAIN NOT A  
13 MORATORIUM, JUST A STUDY AND THOUGHTFUL, CAREFUL REFLECTION OF  
14 EACH DEVELOPMENT THAT'S PROPOSED. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME CALL UP ALICE  
17 HAKIANS AND NINA BEYT. YES. WHOEVER.

18

19 **ARVIN SAHAKIAN:** MY NAME IS ARVIN SAHAKIAN AND MY MOTHER IS  
20 ACTUALLY HERE WITH ME, ALICE, AND WE HAVE A PROPERTY ON 2920  
21 FAIRMONT AVENUE.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHAT'S YOUR ADDRESS?

24

25 **ARVIN SAHAKIAN:** I'M SORRY?



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1

2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOUR ADDRESS AGAIN?

3

4 **ARVIN SAHAKIAN:** 2920 FAIRMONT AVENUE AND IT'S BASICALLY A  
5 15,000 SQUARE FOOT LOT. WHEN WE ORIGINALLY PURCHASED IT IN  
6 1995, YOU KNOW, WE INTENDED TO LIVE THERE. WE LIKED THE  
7 NEIGHBORHOOD, QUIET AND WHAT NOT. RIGHT BEHIND OUR PROPERTY  
8 WAS AN UNUSED, I BELIEVE, GAS UTILITY BUILDING WHICH WAS MAYBE  
9 ONE STORY HIGH, BRICK BUILDING AND A FEW YEARS LATER, IT WAS  
10 TORN DOWN AND THE RESIDENCES WENT AGAINST AN OFFICE DEPOT  
11 BEING BUILT THERE. SO WHAT HAPPENED WAS THEY HAD BUILT TOWN  
12 HOMES THREE STORIES HIGH, ABOUT 30 OR 40 OF THEM, COMPLETELY  
13 CROWDING THE AREA, AND THE PROPERTIES ON BOTH SIDES OF US HAVE  
14 APARTMENTS BEHIND WITH THE SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTS IN FRONT,  
15 SO WHAT'S HAPPENED IS BASICALLY WE'RE A SINGLE-FAMILY HOME ON  
16 A 15,000-SQUARE-FOOT LOT COMPLETELY SURROUNDED BY APARTMENT  
17 BUILDINGS WITH ZERO PRIVACY AND WHATNOT, SO WE HAVE AN ENTIRE  
18 BACKYARD THAT IS COMPLETELY UNUSED. SO IT'S HIGHLY  
19 INCONVENIENT FOR US AND WHAT WE WOULD LIKE TO ACTUALLY DO IS  
20 DEVELOP ABOUT SIX TO EIGHT CONDO UNITS, ABOUT HALF OF WHICH,  
21 AT LEAST FOUR OF WHICH, WILL GO TOWARDS OUR IMMEDIATE FAMILY  
22 TO LIVE THERE, MOVING IN MY SISTER, GRANDMOTHER, MY AUNT AND  
23 WHATNOT AND SELLING THE OTHER TWO OR THREE AS A RETIREMENT FOR  
24 MY PARENTS BECAUSE THEY'RE REACHING THE AGE OF 55, 56, WHERE,  
25 YOU KNOW, NATURALLY, THEIR RETIREMENT PAYMENTS WILL DEFINITELY



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 NOT BE SUFFICIENT ENOUGH FOR THE REST OF THEIR LIVES. SO I'M  
2 IN FAVOR TO EXTEND IT AS LONG AS POSSIBLE IN ORDER TO GIVE US  
3 TIME AMPLE ENOUGH TO BE ABLE TO DEVELOP BASICALLY THE AMERICAN  
4 DREAM.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

7

8 **CAROLINE RAZAVI:** GOOD MORNING. GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. MY NAME  
9 IS CAROLINE RAZAVI. BEFORE I START ANYTHING, I JUST WANT TO  
10 SAY THAT I HOPE THAT THE PASTOR'S PRAYER PIERCES THE HEARTS OF  
11 ALL THAT ARE HERE TO RENDER JUSTICE FOR ALL. AND, SECONDLY,  
12 BEFORE I SAY ANYTHING ABOUT MY PROPERTY, SUPERVISOR BURKE,  
13 REGARDING YOUR COLORECTAL CANCER, I'M A PHYSICIAN, SO I'M GIVE  
14 YOU AN ADVICE ON THAT, LOTS OF FIBER AND I HAVE SEEN YOU,  
15 BECAUSE WHEN I DID MY RESIDENCY HERE, I THINK YOU CAME TO MY  
16 HOSPITAL A FEW TIMES. BEFORE I SAY ANYTHING, MY FIRST JOB IS A  
17 MOTHER OF TWO YOUNG KIDS, SIX-YEAR-OLD AND THREE-YEAR-OLD.  
18 SECONDLY, I'M A PHYSICIAN ANESTHESIOLOGIST WHO DID MY TRAINING  
19 HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND PRACTICED HERE FOR A FEW YEARS.  
20 I PURCHASED A PROPERTY WITH MY HUSBAND ABOUT TWO YEARS AGO IN  
21 HOPES OF HAVING A WIN/WIN SITUATION AND OFFERING SOMETHING TO  
22 THE SOCIETY AND, AT THE SAME TIME, DOING SOMETHING FOR  
23 OURSELVES. IN THE MEANTIME, THIS IS-- WE THOUGHT WE HAD A  
24 GREEN LIGHT BY THE COUNTY AND, DURING THIS PROCESS, WE HAD TO  
25 BORROW MONEY AND THE INTEREST ON THAT MONEY IS ABOUT 40,000 A



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 MONTH. I HAVE BEEN WORKING NIGHT SHIFT, DAY SHIFT AND, AS SOON  
2 AS I FINISH THIS, I HAVE TO GO DO A NIGHT SHIFT AND I HOPE  
3 NONE OF YOU GUYS COME TO THE HOSPITAL TO BE ANESTHETIZED  
4 TONIGHT BECAUSE I MIGHT BE TIRED. BUT, ASIDE FROM THAT, JUST  
5 THE FACT THAT THEY LOST OUR FILE FOR ABOUT SIX TO EIGHT MONTHS  
6 AND IF THEY PUT A PICTURE ON THAT FILE, IT MIGHT HELP PEOPLE  
7 TO REALIZE THAT SOMEBODY'S WORKING VERY HARD TO PAY ALL THAT  
8 MONEY AND IT'S EASY FOR THEM TO SAY THAT WE'VE JUST LOST A  
9 FILE. IT'S ANALOGOUS TO YOU HAVING CHEST PAIN AND COMING AND  
10 GETTING YOUR EKG ECHO AND ANGIOGRAM AND YOU STILL HAVE THE  
11 CHEST PAIN AND WE SAY, "I'M SORRY, WE'VE LOST IT, CAN WE-- YOU  
12 KNOW, WE CAN DO IT ALL OVER AGAIN." YOU KNOW, WHO KNOWS IF THE  
13 HEART IS GOING TO STOP OR WHAT HAVE YOU. THAT'S BASICALLY ALL  
14 I HAVE TO SAY AT THIS POINT, THAT THE HARDSHIP THAT IT IS  
15 CAUSING MYSELF AND MY FAMILY AND TAKING MY TIME AWAY. JUST TO  
16 LET YOU KNOW ALSO WHAT I DO IN THE COMMUNITY, I DO OPERATION  
17 ACCESS FOR PEOPLE THAT HAVE NO INSURANCE, SO I DO VOLUNTEER  
18 WORK AT THE SAME TIME. SO BASICALLY MY WHOLE GOAL WHEN I  
19 BOUGHT THIS THING WITH MY HUSBAND WAS TO HAVE A WIN/WIN  
20 SITUATION AND THE COUNTY HAS JUST DELAYED US AND DELAYED US,  
21 LOSING OUR PAPER AND I THOUGHT MAYBE IF THEY CAN THINK OF IT--  
22 YOU KNOW, WHEN I HAVE A PATIENT, I THINK OF IT AS MY MOTHER,  
23 FATHER, BROTHER OR SISTER AND MAYBE IF THEY LOOK AT THAT FILE  
24 AND THINK OF IT, THAT'S A HUMAN BEING AND IT'S AFFECTING MY  
25 FAMILY, THEY MIGHT LOOK AT IT WITH A DIFFERENT PICTURE AND I



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 PRAY AGAIN THAT THE PASTOR'S PRAYER HAS PIERCED EVERYONE'S  
2 HEART. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DONNIE BALL. DONNIE BALL. AND FRANK  
5 BEYT. OKAY. WHOMEVER. DO YOU WANT TO GO?

6

7 **NINA BEYT:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. MY NAME IS NINA BEYT. I  
8 LIVE IN A HOME NEXT TO THE FREEWAY AND WE'VE LIVED THERE SINCE  
9 1971. IT WILL BE 35 YEARS THIS SEPTEMBER. WE KNEW WHEN WE  
10 BOUGHT THIS PLACE IT WAS NEXT TO THE FREEWAY BUT IT HAD WHAT  
11 WE NEEDED, ENOUGH BEDROOMS FOR OUR CHILDREN. AND IT'S A QUIET  
12 STREET. WE HAVE SKATEBOARDERS, WE HAVE BASKETBALL-- WE DON'T  
13 BUT, I MEAN, THERE ARE FAMILIES THAT HAVE BASKETBALL HOOPS IN  
14 THE CUL-DE-SAC. IT'S A GREAT PLACE TO RAISE KIDS. WE HAVE  
15 TREES GALORE BUT IT'S R-3 AND IT'S NEXT TO THE FREEWAY.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHAT'S THE CROSS STREET?

18

19 **NINA BEYT:** PARDON? UH, THE CROSS STREET IS RENCON. THIS IS OUR  
20 HOME HERE. EVERYTHING IN RED IS CONDOMINIUMS. EVERYTHING IN  
21 GREEN ARE SMALL SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLINGS. THERE'S ONLY ONE  
22 HOUSE OF ANY SIZE THERE. WHEN IT COMES TIME THAT MY HUSBAND  
23 AND I CAN NO LONGER TAKE CARE OF THIS PLACE AND WE HAVE TO  
24 MOVE ON, WE KNOW OUR VALUE IN THIS HOME IS FOR DEVELOPMENT.  
25 IT'S GOING TO BE A HARD SELL TO GET SOMEONE TO BUY NEXT TO THE





**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 FREEWAY, ALTHOUGH IT'S WORKED OUT WELL FOR US BUT WE NEVER  
2 KNOW. WE REALLY DON'T LIKE THIS MORATORIUM. MORATORIALS CAN BE  
3 EXTENDED AND EXTENDED AND EXTENDED AND SO, YES, YOU SAY, WELL,  
4 YOU CAN APPLY FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT. WELL, WHAT IF IT  
5 DOESN'T GET APPROVED? WHAT IF IT GETS LOST? WHAT IF WE NEED TO  
6 SELL AND WE NEED TO MAXIMIZE THE 35 TO 40 YEARS THAT WE'VE  
7 LIVED THERE AND SPENT THE MONEY ON THIS PLACE? AND WE NEED TO  
8 SELL IT AND THEN WE CAN'T GET OUR FAIR VALUE BECAUSE OUR R-3  
9 HAS BEEN DOWNZONED TO R-1. THAT'S REALLY ALL I HAVE TO SAY.  
10 THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET THE HUSBAND GO NEXT.

13

14 **FRANK BEYT:** MY NAME IS FRANK BEYT AND THIS IS MY WIFE. AND I  
15 WOULD JUST LIKE TO ADD THE SAME POSITION THAT SHE HAS  
16 ESTABLISHED. AS YOU CAN SEE, MY HOUSE HAS NO NEIGHBORS. IT  
17 CERTAINLY IS AGAINST THE FREEWAY, PRESSED UP AGAINST IT BY  
18 CONDOMINIUMS, SO THEREFORE ANY DEVELOPMENT ON THIS PROPERTY  
19 CERTAINLY COULDN'T INTERFERE WITH ANYONE. IF IT SHOULD HAVE  
20 INTERFERED, THEY SHOULD HAVE THOUGHT ABOUT THAT 35 YEARS AGO  
21 BEFORE THEY BUILT CONDOMINIUMS LINING THE STREETS. SO I WOULD  
22 JUST WANT TO REITERATE THE FACT THAT IT WOULD BE-- IT'S A  
23 SEVERE-- WOULD BE A SEVERE HARDSHIP FOR MY WIFE AND I IF WE  
24 SHOULD HAVE TO SELL THIS PROPERTY FOR WHATEVER REASON UNDER  
25 SUCH STUDIES AND MORATORIALS, BECAUSE OBVIOUSLY THE VALUE IS



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 IN R-3, OBVIOUSLY ANY OTHER POSITION WOULD NOT BE TENABLE, IN  
2 MY OPINION. SO I SIMPLY AND YOU TO PLEASE REVIEW THIS PROPERTY  
3 AND PLEASE REVIEW YOUR STUDY WITH CARE BECAUSE IT WOULD  
4 DRAMATICALLY IMPACT MYSELF AND MY WIFE AND I THANK YOU VERY  
5 MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IF THE MORATORIUM IS EXTENDED, YOU  
8 STILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY OF GOING THROUGH THE C.U.P.  
9 PROCESS. YOU STILL-- YOU WOULD HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY OF GOING  
10 THROUGH THE C.U.P. PROCESS.

11

12 **FRANK BEYT:** I'M SORRY. I DON'T WHAT THAT...

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IF THE MORATORIUM WAS EXTENDED, YOU  
15 WOULD STILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY OF GOING THROUGH A  
16 CONDITIONAL USE.

17

18 **FRANK BEYT:** YES, SIR, I UNDERSTAND THAT BUT THAT WOULD DEFRAY  
19 SOMEBODY THAT WOULD PURCHASE THIS FROM APPROACHING US FOR THAT  
20 REASON, BECAUSE OF THAT HURDLE THAT IS OFTEN, AS YOU WELL  
21 KNOW, IS IMPOSSIBLE TO OVERCOME. SO THEREFORE I JUST WOULD ASK  
22 YOU TO DISCONTINUE THIS PROCESS COMPLETELY. IT WOULD BE IN MY  
23 BEST INTEREST. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME, SIR.

24



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. BEFORE YOU-- VERN TJARKI  
2   AND MICHAEL LAWLER. YES, MA'AM.

3

4   **ALICE HAKIANS:** GOOD MORNING. I'M THE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY ON  
5   2920 FAIRMONT AVENUE. MY SON EARLIER SPOKE ABOUT THAT.

6

7   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GIVE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD.

8

9   **ALICE HAKIANS:** ALICE HAKIANS. MY PROPERTY, AS MY SON SAID, THE  
10   BACKYARD IS JUST LEFT THERE WITH NO USE AND, YOU KNOW, MY  
11   FAMILY IS EXPANDING. I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A FEW CONDOS THERE  
12   FOR MY SON, MY DAUGHTER, MY SISTER AND MY PARENTS ALSO, SO,  
13   YOU KNOW AND IF THERE IS ANYTHING LEFT, I WOULD LIKE TO SELL  
14   FOR OUR RETIREMENT, MY HUSBAND AND I. SO I'M JUST HERE FOR THE  
15   FAVOR OF THE EXTENSION, I'M REQUESTING AN EXTENSION, IF I MAY,  
16   PLEASE, AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

17

18   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

19

20   **DONNIE BALL:** HELLO. MY NAME IS DONNIE BALL. I'VE LIVED IN THE  
21   MONTROSE AREA MY WHOLE 57 YEARS AND I'VE PURCHASED THE  
22   PROPERTY AT 2222 AND 2226 MONTROSE AVENUE. THAT'S BETWEEN THE  
23   OCEAN VIEW AND DOWNTOWN MONTROSE IN 1984 AND HAVE LIVED THERE  
24   SINCE THEN-- I HAVEN'T PERSONALLY LIVED THERE SINCE BUT I LIVE  
25   JUST UP THE STREET FROM THERE. AND THE ORIGINAL REASON FOR



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 BUYING THESE TWO PROPERTIES SIDE BY SIDE WAS TO NOT ONLY JOIN  
2 THE PROPERTIES TOGETHER, BUT EVENTUALLY BUILD THESE EIGHT  
3 UNITS ON IT THAT I'VE BEEN WORKING ON, SO, IN AUGUST OF 2002,  
4 I ATTENDED-- I WENT TO THE ONE STOP MEETING AND WENT OVER THE  
5 ISSUES WITH THE COUNTY AND GOT KIND OF A THUMBS UP ON THAT AND  
6 HAVE BEEN, SINCE THEN, RETIRED FROM MY JOB AND HAVE HAD THE  
7 ARCHITECT DRAW UP MY DRAWINGS AND STUFF AND GET INTO PLAN  
8 CHECK AND KIND OF STALLED IN PLAN CHECK. AND THEN, WHEN THE  
9 MORATORIUM BEGAN TO BE TALKED ABOUT, I KIND OF PUSHED THINGS  
10 ALONG BUT IT STILL HASN'T HAPPENED YET. SO I WAS HERE TODAY TO  
11 JUST BE MORE CLEAR AS TO WHAT I NEED TO DO TO CONTINUE ON WITH  
12 THIS PROJECT. WHEN I FILLED OUT THE SLIP OF PAPER TODAY AND  
13 ASKED IF I WAS OPPOSED OR FOR IT, I JUST KIND OF CHECKED BOTH  
14 BOXES, THINKING THAT THERE'S BEEN SOME PROJECTS IN THE CITY OF  
15 MONTROSE THAT REALLY HAVEN'T TURNED OUT SO GOOD AND, FRANKLY,  
16 BEEN KIND OF EMBARRASSING TO ME BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, IT JUST  
17 SEEMED TO BE OVERBUILT FOR THE AREA. MY PARTICULAR CASE IS--  
18 ON MONTROSE AVENUE, IS 120 FEET WIDE HIGHWAY AND MY-- FRANKLY,  
19 MY TWO LITTLE HOMES LOOK KIND OF OUT OF PLACE BECAUSE I'M THE  
20 ONLY PERSON THAT HASN'T DEVELOPED IN THAT WHOLE STRETCH OF THE  
21 MONTROSE AVENUE AREA. SO MY TENANTS HAVE JUST RECENTLY MOVED  
22 AND MY PROJECT IS ABOUT 90% ON ITS WAY WITH THE DEMOLITION AND  
23 THE-- ALL THE THINGS THAT I'VE GONE THROUGH, THE ASBESTOS AND  
24 ALL THAT STUFF AND I'M ASKING TODAY FOR JUST MORE-- I DON'T  
25 KNOW IF I'M ASKING FOR AN EXCEPTION OR JUST ASKING TO TELL ME



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 THE RIGHT THING TO DO SO I CAN MOVE ALONG AND MAKE THIS  
2 PROJECT, YOU KNOW, KIND OF A COMPLEMENT OF THE AREA AND NOT  
3 NECESSARILY A PROBLEM. I DON'T WANT TO BE ONE OF THE PROBLEMS.  
4 I GUESS I'M JUST HERE SO THAT YOU KNOW WHO I AM AND IF THERE'S  
5 ANY, I DON'T KNOW, SPECIAL CONSIDERATION IS THE RIGHT WORD OR  
6 JUST CONSIDERATION FOR MY PROJECT AND WHO I WOULD TALK TO AND  
7 HOW I WOULD GO ABOUT THAT. THAT'S ALL I REALLY WANTED TO SAY  
8 ABOUT THAT.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. THANK YOU. LET ME NEXT CALL UP,  
11 BEFORE YOU SPEAK, MARCO RAMBILLA AND STEVE PIERCE. YES, SIR.  
12 YOU'RE ON.

13

14 **VERN TJARKS:** OH, YES, SIR. GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE MAYOR AND  
15 SUPERVISORS. HIGH NAME IS VERN TJARKS, LAST NAME IS SPELLED T  
16 AS IN TOM, J-A-R-K-S AND I'M AN OWNER OF R-3 ZONED PROPERTY IN  
17 THE UNINCORPORATED MONTROSE AREA, WHICH IS LOCATED ON MULTONIA  
18 DRIVE NEAR MONTROSE AVENUE. I RECEIVED A LETTER FROM THE BOARD  
19 REGARDING THE URGENCY ORDINANCE THAT RESTRICTS THE DEVELOPMENT  
20 OF R-3 ZONED PROPERTY. I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS ORDINANCE IS A  
21 RESULT OF AN EFFORT, LED BY A PRIVATE ORGANIZATION, THAT SEEKS  
22 TO DOWNZONE MOST R-3 MONTROSE, LA CRESCENTA PROPERTIES AND  
23 THEIR REPRESENTATIVES ARE SPEAKING HERE TODAY. IN FACT, SEATED  
24 NEXT TO ME HERE. THIS EFFORT WAS APPARENTLY MOTIVATED BY THE  
25 CONSTRUCTION OF A 14-UNIT HOUSING PROJECT THAT WAS



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 INAPPROPRIATELY SUITED FOR THAT PARTICULAR NEIGHBORHOOD. I  
2 FOLLOW THE OPPOSITION OF THE LOCAL RESIDENTS TO THAT PROJECT  
3 AND SYMPATHIZE WITH THEM BUT I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT A  
4 GENERALIZED DOWN ZONING OF ALL R-3, MONTROSE, LA CRESCENTA  
5 PROPERTIES IS AN APPROPRIATE REMEDY. I DID NOT KNOW THAT A  
6 DOWN ZONING PROPOSAL AND URGENCY ORDINANCE WAS GOING TO HAPPEN  
7 SO QUICKLY AND I WAS NOT GIVEN ANY PRIOR NOTIFICATION. I KNOW  
8 THAT A DOWN ZONING PROPOSAL HAS ALREADY BEEN PREPARED AND  
9 CIRCULATED BY THIS PRIVATE ORGANIZATION. THIS DOWN ZONING  
10 PROPOSAL INCLUDES MY PROPERTY BUT I WAS NOT CONTACTED BY  
11 ANYONE FROM THIS ORGANIZATION, DID NOT CONSENT TO IT. I'M NOT  
12 OPPOSED, HOWEVER, TO THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING DOING  
13 A STUDY OF THE ZONING ISSUE IN MONTROSE AND LA CRESCENTA AREA.  
14 I UNDERSTAND THAT TODAY'S HEARING IS ON THE ISSUE OF EXTENDING  
15 THE URGENCY ORDINANCE PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED BUT I WANT TO PUT ON  
16 THE RECORD MY OPPOSITION TO ANY GENERALIZED DOWN ZONING OF R-3  
17 PROPERTY IN MONTROSE AND LA CRESCENTA AND, IN PARTICULAR, TO  
18 DOWN ZONING MY PROPERTY. I FEEL THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO DO  
19 THIS BECAUSE THE NEWSPAPER ARTICLES THAT I HAVE READ HAVE BEEN  
20 QUOTING REPRESENTATIVES FROM THIS PRIVATE ORGANIZATION WHO  
21 GIVE THE IMPRESSION THAT JUST ABOUT ALL MONTROSE/LA CRESCENTA  
22 PROPERTY OWNERS ARE IN FAVOR OF DOWN ZONING THEIR R-3 PROPERTY  
23 AND I THINK THAT THIS IDEA HAS BEEN CONVEYED TO THE COUNTY AND  
24 TO THIS BOARD. I DON'T BELIEVE THAT THIS IS THE CASE. I HAVE  
25 TALKED TO AND HEARD FROM OTHER PROPERTY OWNERS IN MONTROSE WHO





**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 ARE ALSO OPPOSED TO ANY DOWN ZONING OF THEIR PROPERTY. I  
2 HAVEN'T TALKED TO ANYBODY YET WHO IS IN FAVOR OF IT. IT IS  
3 UNFORTUNATE THAT THIS URGENCY ORDINANCE HAD TO BE ADOPTED AT  
4 THIS TIME BECAUSE IT REQUIRES THAT A PROPERTY OWNER GO THROUGH  
5 THE COSTLY AND EXTENDED CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT PROCESS. THIS  
6 ORDINANCE WILL ALSO CREATE A PROBLEM FOR SOMEONE TRYING TO  
7 SELL THEIR R-3 PROPERTY DURING THIS STUDY PERIOD BECAUSE THE  
8 ACTUAL ZONING OF THE PROPERTY WILL BE UNCERTAIN. OVERALL, THIS  
9 ORDINANCE IS GOING TO NEGATIVELY AFFECT LOCAL R-3 PROPERTY  
10 VALUES. I ALSO BELIEVE THAT THIS ORDINANCE IS OVERBROAD  
11 BECAUSE IT APPLIES TO PROPERTIES LOCATED ON MAJOR OR SECONDARY  
12 STREETS WHICH ALREADY HAVE MULTIPLE FAMILY HOUSING PROJECTS  
13 AND APPLIES TO PROPERTIES THAT ARE ADJACENT TO MULTIPLE FAMILY  
14 BUILDINGS, SUCH AS ONE THAT THE SPEAKER EARLIER DISCUSSED AND  
15 POINTED OUT TODAY. I DON'T THINK THAT THESE PROPERTIES SHOULD  
16 BE SUBJECT TO DOWN ZONING OR TO THIS ORDINANCE. I INTEND TO  
17 PARTICIPATE, HOWEVER, IN THE PUBLIC HEARINGS AS PART OF THE  
18 STUDY AND I WILL CERTAINLY ENCOURAGE OTHER PROPERTY OWNERS TO  
19 DO LIKEWISE. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. LINDA HENRY. LINDA  
22 HENRY. OKAY. YES, SIR.

23

24 **MIKE LAWLER:** MY NAME IS MIKE LAWLER AND I'M THE PRESIDENT OF  
25 THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF THE CRESCENTA VALLEY AND THE



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 GENTLEMAN NEXT TO ME AND I MUST RUN IN DIFFERENT CIRCLES  
2 BECAUSE I, ON THE OTHER HAND, HAVE HEARD MANY, MANY PEOPLE  
3 SPEAK TO ME ABOUT CONCERNS ABOUT OVERDEVELOPMENT IN THE  
4 VALLEY. I WANT TO STRESS AGAIN THAT THIS IS A STUDY FOR DOWN  
5 ZONING. THIS IS JUST A CHANCE FOR PUBLIC INPUT AND I BELIEVE  
6 THAT ALL RESIDENTS SHOULD HAVE A CHANCE FOR THIS PUBLIC INPUT,  
7 NOT JUST THE DEVELOPERS THAT HAVE COME HERE TODAY. I WOULD  
8 LIKE TO SEE THESE HEARINGS HAPPEN. THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT  
9 IDEA IS A GOOD ONE. IT GIVES THE NEIGHBORS OF THESE  
10 DEVELOPMENTS WHO HAVE, BEFORE NOW, NOT HAD ANY INPUT ON IT,  
11 THEY AT LEAST WILL GET SOME CHANCE TO SAY SOMETHING ABOUT IT.  
12 ALSO, TOO, I WANTED TO REACT TO THE DEVELOPMENT THAT THE  
13 GENTLEMAN WAS TALKING ABOUT EARLIER ON PARK PLACE, THE-- I  
14 BELIEVE IT WAS A 27-UNIT ONE, AND HE PAINTS A PICTURE AS  
15 THOUGH IT IS ON A MAIN STREET AND IS NOT GOING TO NEGATIVELY  
16 AFFECT THE NEIGHBORHOOD. I HAPPEN TO KNOW WHERE THE PROPERTY  
17 IS. IT IS ON A SIDE STREET, A SMALL SIDE STREET, AND I ALSO  
18 KNOW THAT THE NEIGHBORS DIRECTLY BEHIND THEM ARE R-1 AND THEY  
19 ARE IN THE CITY OF LA CANADA AND HAVE NOT RECEIVED ANY  
20 NOTIFICATIONS. THIS IS EXACTLY THE KIND OF DEVELOPMENT THAT WE  
21 DO WANT PUBLIC INPUT ON AND I WOULD ASK THAT YOU DON'T MAKE  
22 ANY EXCEPTIONS IN THIS CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT PROCESS. THIS IS  
23 EXACTLY THE KIND OF PROPERTY THAT WE WANT PUBLIC INPUT ON.  
24 THANK YOU.

25



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES?

2

3    **STEVE PIERCE:** GOOD MORNING, MAYOR ANTONOVICH AND SUPERVISORS.  
4    MY NAME IS STEVE PIERCE. I AM A MEMBER OF THE CRESCENTA VALLEY  
5    TOWN COUNCIL AND I'M SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF OUR TOWN COUNCIL.  
6    ON MARCH 7TH, WE SPOKE BEFORE YOU, URGING THE BOARD TO SUPPORT  
7    AND PASS THE MOTION FOR A STUDY OF THE IMPACT ON OUR COMMUNITY  
8    OF MULTIFAMILY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT, SPECIFICALLY THE  
9    UNRESTRICTED DEVELOPMENT OF R-3 PROPERTY WITHIN THE  
10    UNINCORPORATED PORTION OF MONTROSE/LA CRESCENTA. OUR COUNCIL  
11    CONGRATULATES THE BOARD FOR RESPONDING TO THE WISHES OF THE  
12    COMMUNITY WITH ITS ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NUMBER 2006-0015U. AS  
13    WE MENTIONED LAST MONTH, OUR COMMUNITY'S GREATEST CONCERN  
14    CONTINUES TO BE THE INCOMPATIBILITY OF NEW MULTILEVEL  
15    DEVELOPMENTS ADJACENT TO EXISTING SINGLE STORY, SINGLE FAMILY  
16    HOMES. THESE NEW DEVELOPMENTS EASILY DWARF AND OVERSHADOW THE  
17    SMALL BUNGALOWS SO COMMON TO OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. THEY REPLACE  
18    HOMES WITH YARDS AND OPEN SPACE FOR CHILDREN TO PLAY. OFTEN  
19    CHILDREN ARE FORCED TO PLAY IN COMMON AREAS, DRIVEWAYS AND  
20    PARKING GARAGES, WHERE YARDS WITH GRASS ONCE EXISTED AND ARE  
21    STILL A MEMORY. THE DREAM OF OWNING A HOME WITH A WHITE PICKET  
22    FENCE STILL EXISTS IN OUR AREA BUT WE LOSE A LITTLE MORE OF  
23    THAT MAYBERRY WAY OF LIFE WITH EACH NEW PROJECT AND WITH EACH  
24    LITTLE HOUSE THAT IS TORN APART TO MAKE WAY FOR INCOMPATIBLE  
25    DEVELOPMENT. THE RESIDENTS WE REPRESENT, THE ONES WHO STOP TO



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 CHAT WITH US IN OUR MARKETS, IN OUR BANKS, AT OUR SCHOOLS AND  
2 EVEN AT OUR FARMERS MARKET, HAVE LONGED TO HAVE THEIR VOICES  
3 HEARD ABOVE THE SOUND OF THE JACKHAMMER, THE PNEUMATIC NAIL  
4 GUN AND THE CONCRETE PUMPER. THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAS  
5 GIVEN OUR COMMUNITY THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD WITH THE  
6 ADOPTION OF THIS ORDINANCE. THE CRESCENTA VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL  
7 AND THE RESIDENTS OF UNINCORPORATED MONTROSE/LA CRESCENTA, WHO  
8 WE REPRESENT, RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
9 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS NOW EXTEND THE ADOPTION OF THIS ORDINANCE  
10 FOR AN ADDITIONAL 10 MONTHS AND 15 DAYS. OUR COMMUNITY  
11 DESERVES THIS AND OUR COMMUNITY EXPECTS THIS. WE THANK YOU FOR  
12 YOUR SUPPORT.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR SERVING, TOO,  
15 ON THE TOWN COUNCIL.

16

17 **STEVE PIERCE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ANNIE LAWLER. ANNIE LAWLER. YES, SIR?

20

21 **MARCO BRENBILLAN:** GOOD MORNING, FOR THE RECORD, MY NAME IS  
22 MARCO BRENBILLAN. I'M HERE TO SUPPORT THE PROJECT ON PARK  
23 PLACE, NOT ONLY BECAUSE IT IS JUST BUT ALSO BECAUSE IT IS  
24 JUSTIFIABLE. IN THE INTERESTS OF TIME, I WILL NOT GO INTO A  
25 LENGTHY PRESENTATION BUT I WILL CONCENTRATE UPON THREE OR FOUR



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 MAJOR ISSUES. EARLIER ON, WE HEARD THE WORD "RESPONSIBLE  
2 DEVELOPMENT." THIS IS ONE, IF THERE EVER WAS ONE. THIS IS  
3 ALREADY DEVELOPING INTO A MUCH LESS DENSITY. IT IS  
4 ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE. IT IS NOT A BIG HUGE BUILDING, BUT  
5 A CLUSTER OF STRUCTURES HUGGING THE HILLSIDE AND SAVING EVERY  
6 SINGLE OAK TREE THAT IS ON THE PROPERTY. IF THERE IS ANYTHING  
7 LIKE THE SPIRIT OF WHAT YOU WANT TO ACHIEVE WITH THE NEW  
8 STUDIES AND ORDINANCES, THIS PROJECT ALREADY ADDRESSES THAT.  
9 OVER AND ABOVE THAT, THERE ARE CERTAIN ISSUES THAT HAVE BEEN  
10 HURTING THIS PROJECT DRAMATICALLY. FIRST AND FOREMOST, EITHER  
11 THROUGH NEGLIGENCE OR BY DESIGN, THE PROJECT HAS BEEN DELAYED  
12 FOR OVER A YEAR. THE PROJECT WAS LOST, THE OWNERS WERE NOT  
13 NOTIFIED. IT WAS-- ONCE IT WAS DISCOVERED, THEN EVERY PERSON  
14 RESPONDED IN A VERY TIMELY MANNER TO GET THE PROJECT TO THE  
15 POINT THAT IT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE AND EVERY SINGLE ITEM ON  
16 THOSE ISSUES WERE ADDRESSED, THEN PHILOSOPHICAL QUESTIONS CAME  
17 UP, WELL, MAYBE WE CAN, MAYBE WE CANNOT AND THEN THE PROJECT  
18 WAS AGAIN DRAGGED UNTIL THE POINT THAT THE ORDINANCE WAS  
19 ACTUALLY ADOPTED. NOW, IN THE PROCESS, THE OWNERS, THE  
20 PROPERTY DEVELOPERS, THE ARCHITECT, PEOPLE CONCERNED, THEY  
21 WERE NOT NOTIFIED ABOUT THE ORDINANCE, ABOUT THE HEARINGS AND  
22 ABOUT THE POSSIBLE CONSEQUENCES OF THAT. SO THE PROJECT NOW,  
23 AFTER HAVING GONE THROUGH THE ENTIRE GAMUT OF ALL THE  
24 DEVELOPMENT AND AFTER HAVING SATISFIED EVERY SINGLE ITEM ON  
25 THE WISH LIST, NOT ONLY COMPLIES WITH THE SPIRIT OF WHAT YOU



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 INTEND TO DO BUT IT HAS ALSO COMPLIED WITH THE LETTER OF THE  
2 LAW AS IT IS TODAY. NOW, DELAYING IT FURTHER AND FURTHER IS  
3 REALLY AN UNFAIR HARDSHIP TO EVERY SINGLE PERSON INVOLVED IN  
4 THE PROJECT. REMEMBER, THIS IS ONLY ONE OF THE TWO PROJECTS  
5 THAT HAVE BEEN IN THE PIPELINE SINCE 2002 AND THEN IN 2004. I  
6 THINK THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO SAY. I APPRECIATE THAT VERY MUCH.  
7 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. THANK YOU. HARRIET  
10 HECHT AND IRENE GUTHRIE. YES?

11

12 **ANNIE LAWLER:** I'M ANNIE LAWLER, AND I CURRENTLY GO TO ROSEMONT  
13 MIDDLE SCHOOL AND I'M JUST REALLY WORRIED BECAUSE OUR SCHOOL  
14 IS, LIKE, TOTALLY OVERCROWDED AND WE REALLY, REALLY NEED LESS  
15 PEOPLE THERE, LIKE, I MEAN, LIKE, I'M NOT SAYING ANYTHING IS  
16 BAD ABOUT APARTMENTS, A LOT OF MY FRIENDS LIVE IN APARTMENTS  
17 BUT WE DON'T NEED ANY MORE. THERE'S ALREADY PEOPLE THAT ARE  
18 SHARING-- SOME PEOPLE ARE SHARING FOUR PEOPLE TO A LOCKER AND  
19 THERE'S STILL PEOPLE THAT DON'T HAVE LOCKERS. WE JUST, LIKE,  
20 REDID PART OF OUR SCHOOL AND NOW IT'S ALREADY OVERCROWDED  
21 AGAIN AND THERE'S REALLY JUST NOT ENOUGH SPACE FOR EVERYONE  
22 THAT NEEDS TO GO THERE AND, WHEN YOU BUILD APARTMENTS, PEOPLE  
23 ARE GOING TO BRING THEIR KIDS WITH THEM AND LIVE IN THEIR  
24 APARTMENTS AND THEN THEIR KIDS ARE GOING TO HAVE TO GO TO  
25 SCHOOL AND THE SCHOOLS ARE GOING TO EVEN GET MORE OVERCROWDED





**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 THAN THEY ALREADY ARE. SO I REALLY THINK THAT THERE NEEDS TO  
2 NOT BE ANY MORE APARTMENTS IN LA CRESCENTA.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

5

6 **LINDA HENRY:** HI. MY NAME IS LINDA HENRY. I'M A RESIDENT OF  
7 MONTROSE, I LIVE AT 3925 ORANGEDALE, RIGHT ON THE TRIANGLE IN  
8 THE MIDDLE OF THE TOWN, AND I SUPPORT THE STUDY AND I SUPPORT  
9 THE COMMUNITY DIALOGUE ABOUT WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO OUR  
10 COMMUNITY. I SYMPATHIZE ALSO WITH RESPONSIBLE DEVELOPERS. I  
11 SYMPATHIZE ALSO WITH OTHER PEOPLE WHO ARE THINKING ABOUT  
12 SELLING AND LEAVING THE COMMUNITY. I'M IN THE SAME POSITION. I  
13 ACTUALLY CONSIDERED SELLING MY HOUSE AND WAS OFFERED ABOVE  
14 MARKET VALUE FOR MY HOUSE TWO YEARS AGO. I DECIDED TO PAUSE ON  
15 THAT WHEN I REALIZED THAT I COULDN'T EASILY MOVE SOMEWHERE  
16 ELSE AND HAVE AS NICE AN AREA AS MONTROSE IS. I DON'T KNOW, I  
17 THINK THAT-- I JUST SUPPORT THE STUDY BECAUSE IT GOES TO THE  
18 WHOLE IDEA OF COMMUNITY AND PEOPLE BEING ABLE TO TALK ABOUT  
19 ABOUT, YOU KNOW, WHAT THEIR DIFFERENT NEEDS ARE. AND I ALSO,  
20 THOUGH, DON'T UNDERSTAND THE PROCESS BY WHICH THE  
21 IRRESPONSIBLE DEVELOPMENT THAT DID GO ON IN MONTROSE EVEN  
22 OCCURRED, THE PROJECT THAT WE'VE TALKED ABOUT ON FLORENCEDA IS  
23 RIGHT OUTSIDE MY BACKYARD. THEIR WINDOWS LOOK RIGHT DOWN ON MY  
24 HOUSE. AND THERE IS ANOTHER DEVELOPMENT THAT WENT IN ON  
25 MONTROSE THAT HAS AN INSANE DRIVEWAY THAT GOES DOWN ABOUT 30



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 DEGREES. I DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW THOSE PROPERTIES WERE  
2 DEVELOPED AND HOW POSSIBLY OTHER PROPERTIES WERE NOT. SO  
3 THAT'S THE REASON THAT I REALLY FEEL THAT, YOU KNOW, THERE  
4 NEEDS TO BE COMMUNITY INPUT INTO HOW A COMMUNITY IS DEVELOPED,  
5 OTHERWISE PEOPLE WILL NOT CARE TO STAY. ALSO, I WANTED TO SAY  
6 THAT MY CHILDREN WENT TO SCHOOLS IN THIS AREA. I'VE LIVED IN  
7 THE CRESCENTA VALLEY SINCE 1979, AND THE SCHOOLS WERE CROWDED  
8 ALL THROUGH THE '90S. SO, YOU KNOW, ANY, YOU KNOW, QUESTION OF  
9 DENSITY, I HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT THE SEWER SYSTEMS BEING ABLE TO  
10 HANDLE THIS DENSITY. I HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT PARKING AND I THANK  
11 YOU FOR LISTENING.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES.

14

15 **HARRIET HECHT:** HELLO. MY NAME IS HARRIET HECHT AND I WORK FOR  
16 L.A. COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT. I'M A NURSE. I'M A  
17 SINGLE PARENT AND I RAISED MY SON IN MY HOUSE ON 4004  
18 ORANGEDALE AVENUE, MONTROSE. IT WAS A VERY SMALL TOWN WHEN I  
19 MOVED IN THERE 20 YEARS AGO AND IT HAS GOTTEN TO BE AN  
20 IMPOSSIBLE VOLUME OF PEOPLE THERE NOW. FOR EXAMPLE, I CAN'T  
21 EVEN BACK MY CAR OUT OF MY DRIVEWAY BECAUSE IT WOULD BE  
22 SUICIDE, THE CARS ARE GOING SO FAST DOWN THE STREET. THE  
23 OVERPOPULATION THAT WE HAVE NOW IS TOO MUCH AND THE IDEA OF  
24 BUILDING-- OVERBUILDING MORE IS MAKING IT MUCH MORE DIFFICULT.  
25 I WALK MY DOG EVERY DAY BY THESE HOUSES, THESE SMALL LITTLE



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 HOUSES THAT WE'VE ALWAYS HAD THAT ARE BEING TORN DOWN AND BIG  
2 COMPLEXES BUILT THAT ARE JUST CHANGING THE ENTIRE STRUCTURE OF  
3 THE CITY THAT I BOUGHT IN 20 YEARS AGO. I'M ASKING YOU TO HAVE  
4 SOME MERCY ON THOSE PEOPLE WHO HAVE TO LIVE IN THE AREA THAT  
5 WE WOULD HAVE SOME INPUT INTO WHAT'S GOING ON. I NOW HAVE  
6 BECOME ACTIVE IN THE CRESCENTA VALLEY HERITAGE SOCIETY AND THE  
7 CRESCENTA VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND NOW I'M AWARE OF  
8 WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE CITY AND I WANT TO BE PART OF THE  
9 DEVELOPMENT SO THAT IT DOES NOT GET OVERDEVELOPED, SO IT STAYS  
10 THE SMALL TOWN THAT IT ALWAYS HAS BEEN. AND FOR THE SAFETY OF  
11 OUR INHABITANTS IN THE CITY, I'M ASKING YOU TO HAVE SOME  
12 JUSTICE IN OUR CITY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

15

16 **IRENE GUTHRIE:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND OTHER  
17 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS IRENE GUTHRIE AND I LIVE ON 2535  
18 MONTROSE AVENUE, AND I'VE LIVED THERE FOR 50 YEARS. AND, WHEN  
19 WE MOVED TO MONTROSE, IT WAS A NICE, QUIET LITTLE COMMUNITY  
20 AND HAD VERY GOOD SCHOOLS AND, ALL OF A SUDDEN THROUGH THE  
21 YEARS, MY HUSBAND AND I HAVE SEEN HOW SO MANY BIG DEVELOPMENTS  
22 HAVE COME IN AND IT'S REALLY RUINED OUR LITTLE TOWN OF  
23 MONTROSE. AND I KNOW THERE'S NOT TOO MUCH YOU CAN DO ABOUT  
24 WHERE WE LIVE BECAUSE THERE'S APARTMENTS ALL AROUND US.  
25 THERE'S FIVE HOUSES ON THE NORTH SIDE OF OUR STREET AND WE'RE



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 PROUD OF OUR HOME AND WE'RE GOING TO KEEP IT THAT WAY BUT  
2 WE'RE CONCERNED ABOUT THE OVERPOPULATION AND THE WATER  
3 SITUATION, AND SEWER SITUATION AND THE SCHOOLS. AND I SUPPORT  
4 THE EXTENSION OF YOUR ORDINANCE AND WHICH I HOPE THAT YOU  
5 WOULD STUDY IT MORE. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES. WAIT. LET ME AND, IS  
8 SERCO, S-E-R-C-O, C-A-R-I-B-I-A-N HERE? COULD WE HAVE THE  
9 DEPARTMENT RESPOND TO SOME OF THE COMMENTS?

10

11 **RON HOFMANN:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. RON HOFMANN FROM REGIONAL  
12 PLANNING. I WOULD LIKE TO EMPHASIZE THAT THE STAFF HAS NO  
13 FOREGONE CONCLUSIONS AS TO WHAT WOULD BE THE RESULTS OF OUR  
14 STUDY. THIS WOULD BE A COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF THE EXISTING  
15 ZONING PATTERNS, EXISTING DEVELOPMENT PATTERNS. WE WOULD BE  
16 CONTACTING THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS, WATER DISTRICT, COUNTY PUBLIC  
17 WORKS TO LOOK INTO THESE INFRASTRUCTURE QUESTIONS WHICH ARE  
18 CERTAINLY IMPORTANT BUT WE HAVE NOT DECIDED OR CONCLUDED WHAT  
19 THE RESULTS OF THAT STUDY SHOULD BE. THAT WOULD BE, AS I SAID,  
20 DONE AT THE END OF OUR REVIEW AND AFTER MEETING WITH THE  
21 COMMUNITY OUT IN LA CRESCENTA/MONTROSE. THE DEVELOPMENT OF  
22 MAYBE APPROPRIATE DESIGN STANDARDS MIGHT BE SOMETHING THAT  
23 WOULD BE CONSIDERED AS WELL. SO, AS FAR AS A STUDY THAT IS  
24 CONCLUDED THAT WE ARE GOING TO DO DOWNZONING, WE HAVEN'T  
25 REACHED THAT CONCLUSION AND ANY DECISION TO DO ANY DOWNZONING



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 WOULD HAVE TO BE THE RESULT OF PROPER PUBLIC HEARINGS BEFORE  
2 THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION AND YOUR BOARD OF  
3 SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** EXCUSE ME ONE MOMENT. THERE'S ONE  
6 OTHER PERSON WHO HAD SIGNED UP, JUAN DOE, JOHN DOE. SUPERVISOR  
7 KNABE?

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** WHILE THEY'RE COMING UP, HOW LONG WOULD THAT STUDY  
10 TAKE?

11

12 **RON HOFMANN:** WE'RE ESTIMATING IT WOULD BE ABOUT SIX MONTHS BUT  
13 IT COULD GO LONGER, DEPENDING ON THE TYPES OF ISSUES THAT  
14 EITHER WE DISCOVER OR ARE RAISED AT THE PUBLIC-- THE COMMUNITY  
15 MEETINGS.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** AND I GUESS, FROM THE TESTIMONY, THAT THERE ARE A  
18 COUPLE PROJECTS THAT YOU ARE GOING TO EXEMPT OR REQUEST TO BE  
19 EXEMPTED? HOW LONG HAVE THEY BEEN IN THE PIPELINE?

20

21 **RON HOFMANN:** THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY SIX PROJECTS THAT ARE IN  
22 THE PIPELINE. FOUR OF THOSE WOULD BE EXEMPTED BY THE CURRENT  
23 PROVISIONS OF THE ORDINANCE. THEY'VE BEEN IN THE PIPELINE FROM  
24 THE-- THE OLDEST IS 2004, AUGUST OF 2004. THE OTHER IS 2005  
25 AND 2006.



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1

2 **SUP. KNABE:** THE OTHER FOUR WERE BEFORE THAT, THEN? I MEAN, WHY  
3 WOULD THOSE TWO NOT BE EXEMPTED AND THE OTHER FOUR WOULD?

4

5 **RON HOFMANN:** THE EXEMPTION PROVISIONS WRITTEN INTO THE  
6 ORDINANCE ALLOW PROJECTS THAT HAVE BEEN FILED THAT ARE LOCATED  
7 ON MAJOR OR SECONDARY HIGHWAYS TO BE EXEMPTED. STAFF FELT THAT  
8 PROJECTS ON THE MAJOR OR SECONDARY HIGHWAYS, IMPACTS RELATED  
9 TO TRAFFIC AND ON-STREET PARKING WOULD BE MUCH LESS THAN  
10 PROJECTS ON LOCAL STREETS, WHICH THE OTHER TWO PROJECTS ARE  
11 LOCATED ON.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR BURKE.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE:** IS THERE AN EXEMPTION FOR THE ONE WHERE THERE'S  
18 ALLEGED THAT THERE WAS A LOSS OF THE FILE? AND I'D LIKE TO  
19 HEAR A COMMENT ABOUT WAS THE FILE LOST?

20

21 **RON HOFMANN:** MRS. BURKE, RON HOFMANN AGAIN. THE FILE  
22 APPARENTLY WAS LOST FOR A NUMBER OF MONTHS. IT'S UNFORTUNATE.  
23 ONCE THE APPLICANT CONTACTED US TO INQUIRE AS TO THE STATUS OF  
24 THE PROJECT, WE INFORMED-- AT THAT TIME, WE OBVIOUSLY LOOKED  
25 FOR THE FILE, COULD NOT FIND IT, INFORMED THE APPLICANT THAT,





**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 UNFORTUNATELY, WE HAD LOST THE FILE. THE APPLICANT SUPPLIED  
2 NEW MATERIAL. AFTER THAT TIME, WE'VE WORKED VERY CLOSELY WITH  
3 THE APPLICANT TO TRY TO MOVE THE PROJECT FORWARD.

4

5 **SUP. BURKE:** IS THAT ONE EXEMPTED?

6

7 **RON HOFMANN:** THAT ONE IS NOT EXEMPTED. IT IS ON A LOCAL  
8 STREET.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE:** I REALLY THINK THAT, WHEN YOU LOSE A FILE, THAT  
11 YOU HAVE TO MAKE UP SOMETHING.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND WE ARE INVESTIGATING THAT RIGHT  
14 NOW AS WE SPEAK.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** I MEAN BUT, AFTER WE-- I MEAN, IF WE VOTE FOR  
17 THIS, DOES THAT MEAN THAT THEY HAVE SIX MONTHS TO INVESTIGATE  
18 AND THEN TO...

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NO. COUNTY COUNSEL IS INVESTIGATING  
21 RIGHT NOW AS WE SPEAK.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE:** AS TO WHETHER OR NOT IT'S LOST?

24



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND THEY CAN ADVISE US IN EXECUTIVE  
2   SESSION.

3

4   **SUP. BURKE:** OKAY.

5

6   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, SIR.

7

8   **ANDREW AHLERING:** YES, MR. ANTONOVICH, MR. KNABE, HONORABLE  
9   SUPERVISOR BURKE, HONORABLE SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, MY NAME IS  
10   ANDREW AHLERING ON BEHALF OF JUAN DOE, A RESIDENT OF THIS  
11   COMMUNITY. SUPERVISORS, YOU NOW HAVE THE HARD DECISION. YOU'VE  
12   THANKFULLY LISTENED TO COMMUNITY MEMBERS THAT HAVE COME TO  
13   VOICE THEIR OPINION ON THIS MATTER. YOU HAVE-- YOU, MUCH LIKE  
14   SOLOMON, NOW MUST MAKE THE HARD DECISION ON THE PEOPLE'S  
15   RIGHT, YOU WILL SEE THAT GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE, BY THE  
16   PEOPLE AND FOR THE PEOPLE SHALL NOT PERISH FROM THE EARTH.  
17   THAT IS ON THE PEOPLE'S RIGHT IN YOUR HALL. IN YOUR RIGHT IN  
18   THIS HALL, YOU'LL SEE THIS COUNTRY IS FOUNDED ON FREE  
19   ENTERPRISE, CHERISH AND HELP PRESERVE IT. SO THE TWO HONORABLE  
20   MEMBERS OF THIS BOARD, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SUPERVISOR  
21   KNABE, YOU MUST NOW PLAY THE ROLE OF SOLOMON AND MAKE A VERY  
22   HARD DECISION. I ASK THAT, ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF THE  
23   STATE OF CALIFORNIA, YOU UPHOLD AND PROTECT THE CONSTITUTION  
24   OF OUR STATE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

25



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. THE ORDINANCE-- AND YOU'RE  
2   RECOMMENDING SIX MONTHS?

3

4   **SUP. KNABE:** HE SAID IT COULD TAKE LONGER.

5

6   **RON HOFMANN:** NO. THE ORDINANCE WOULD EXTEND THE URGENCY FOR  
7   10-1/2 MONTHS, WHICH IS STATE LAW.

8

9   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHICH IS 10 MONTHS-- I MEAN-- FROM THE  
10   TIME...

11

12   **SUP. KNABE:** WHAT STATE LAW? WHAT DO YOU MEAN, 10-1/2 MONTHS?

13

14   **RON HOFMANN:** THE STATE LAW THAT GOVERNS ADOPTION OF-- ADOPTION  
15   AND EXTENSIONS OF URGENCY ORDINANCES.

16

17   **SUP. KNABE:** BUT YOU CAN DO IT UP TO 10 1/2, YOU COULD DO IT  
18   ANY PERIOD UNDERNEATH THAT, RIGHT?

19

20   **RON HOFMANN:** OH, CERTAINLY YOU COULD.

21

22   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YEAH, UP OR BEFORE. RIGHT. AND, IN THE  
23   MEANTIME, THE INTERIM CONTROLLER WILL PREVENT DEVELOPMENT OF  
24   MULTIFAMILY DEVELOPMENTS THAT IS SENSITIVE TO EXISTING HOMES  
25   IN THE AREA, BUT ADDRESSING THE TOWN COUNCIL AND COMMUNITY



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 CONCERNS RELATIVE TO THOSE ZONING STANDARDS, THERE IS CONCERN  
2 ABOUT THE PARKING SITUATION OF THAT AREA, ALONG WITH THE  
3 PRESERVATION OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD CHARACTER AND CONCERNS OF THE  
4 SCALE AND COMPATIBILITY. BUT I WOULD MOVE THAT WE CONTINUE THE  
5 ORDINANCE AND, AGAIN, THOSE WHO HAVE PROJECTS THAT THEY HAVE  
6 THE ABILITY TO MOVE FORWARD IN A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT  
7 PROCESS, THAT WE DO THAT STUDY AND HAVE IT COME BACK TO THE  
8 BOARD FOR A PUBLIC HEARING.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. MAYOR, THE ONLY COMMENT I'D MAKE, I MEAN, IF  
11 YOU-- ARE YOU EXTENDING TO 10-1/2 MONTHS? I MEAN, THERE'S NO  
12 INCENTIVE FOR THE DEPARTMENT TO WANT TO DO ANYTHING.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NO, UP TO. UP TO.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT, I MEAN, IF YOU-- "UP TO," WHICH MEANS THERE'S  
17 NO INCENTIVE FOR THEM TO EXPEDITE THIS STUDY. I MEAN, SOME OF  
18 THESE PROJECTS ARE SEVERAL YEARS OLD.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHAT IS THE TIMEFRAME THAT THE  
21 DEPARTMENT FEELS THE STUDY COULD BE COMPLETED?

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** WHY DON'T YOU HAVE SIX MONTHS AND COME BACK OR  
24 SOMETHING OR FOUR MONTHS OR...?

25



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1   **RON HOFMANN:** OUR ESTIMATE IS THAT THE STUDY WOULD TAKE SIX  
2   MONTHS. THAT WOULD BE THE CONCLUSION OF THE STUDY. IF THERE  
3   ARE RECOMMENDATIONS TO DO ANY ZONE CHANGES OR PLAN AMENDMENTS  
4   OR, SAY, COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT FOR DEVELOPMENT  
5   STANDARDS RELATING TO APARTMENT HOUSES, THEN THAT WOULD  
6   REQUIRE HEARINGS BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND YOUR  
7   BOARD. BUT THE STUDY ITSELF WE FIGURE WOULD TAKE ABOUT SIX  
8   MONTHS.

9

10   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO THE STUDY IS SIX MONTHS BUT, FROM  
11   THAT STUDY, THEN, THE PUBLIC HEARING PROCESS BEFORE REGIONAL  
12   PLANNING COMMISSION WOULD THEN CONSUME THE OTHER ADDITIONAL  
13   TIME, IS WHAT YOU'RE SAYING?

14

15   **RON HOFMANN:** THAT'S CORRECT.

16

17   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IT'S NOT 10-1/2 MONTHS BEFORE THE  
18   STUDY IS COMPLETED, IT'S ABOUT SIX MONTHS FOR THE STUDY, WITH  
19   THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION CONDUCTING THE PUBLIC  
20   HEARINGS FROM THOSE INTERESTED PARTIES.

21

22   **RON HOFMANN:** THAT'S CORRECT. IF WE CAN FINISH THE STUDY SOONER  
23   THAN THAT, WE CERTAINLY WOULD AND MOVE IT-- MOVE THE MATTER ON  
24   AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE AND, AT SUCH TIME AS A PERMANENT



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 ORDINANCE IS ADOPTED BY YOUR BOARD, THE URGENCY ORDINANCE  
2 WOULD EXPIRE.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO WE CAN DO IT SOONER?

5

6 **RON HOFMANN:** WE COULD DO IT SOONER. WE CERTAINLY WOULD TRY.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THEN I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU TO TRY AND  
9 DO IT AS RAPIDLY AS POSSIBLE. SO SECONDED BY BURKE. WITHOUT  
10 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

11

12 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** FOR THE RECORD, I'D LIKE TO READ THE  
13 ORDINANCE INTO THE RECORD. AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING INTERIM  
14 ORDINANCE NUMBER 2006-0015U, TEMPORARILY REQUIRING A  
15 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT BUILDINGS OR BUILDING  
16 ADDITIONS FOR MULTIFAMILY RESIDENTIAL USE ON R-3 ZONED  
17 PROPERTIES IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF LA  
18 CRESCENTA/MONTROSE, DECLARING THE URGENCY THEREOF AND THAT  
19 THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT ON APRIL 20TH, 2006. THAT WAS  
20 A MOTION BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR  
21 BURKE.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO ORDERED. THANK YOU. AND THANK THE  
24 PEOPLE FROM THE PUBLIC FOR COMING AND THE TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS





**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 WHO REPRESENTED THEIR COMMUNITY TODAY. OKAY. ITEM NUMBER 45,  
2 SUPERVISOR KNABE. OKAY. ARE WE ASKING FOR A REPORT OR...

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** NO. I JUST HAD A QUESTION.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I HAVE FOUR PEOPLE WHO SIGNED UP TO  
7 SPEAK, SO DO YOU WANT HEAR THEM FIRST OR DO YOU WANT TO ASK  
8 YOUR QUESTION?

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** GO AHEAD AND HAVE THEM SPEAK FIRST.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. KENNETH STRANG, REBECCA  
13 HERNANDEZ, BARBARA GRODIN AND JUDY RIDDLE. WHOEVER WANTS TO GO  
14 FIRST, JUST GIVE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD, PLEASE.

15

16 **KENNETH STRANG:** MY NAME IS KENNETH STRANG. I'M A PHARMACIST,  
17 I'VE BEEN A REGISTERED PHARMACIST IN CALIFORNIA FOR 35 YEARS.  
18 I'M HERE TO SPEAK TO THE ORDINANCE THAT IS BEFORE YOU TODAY ON  
19 THE ESTABLISHING OF THE MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES IN THE COUNTY.  
20 I'D LIKE TO REFER YOU TO A HANDOUT THAT'S BEING PASSED AROUND.  
21 THERE ARE TWO SIDES TO THIS HANDOUT. THE FIRST SIDE IS JUST  
22 SOME QUOTES THAT I WOULD LIKE YOU TO TAKE A LOOK AT,  
23 "MARIJUANA AS MEDICINE, NO CLEAR PROOF" AND THE LAST QUOTE IS  
24 BY THE CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION. IT SAYS, "CMA BELIEVES  
25 THAT SERIOUSLY ILL PATIENTS SHOULD NOT BE OFFERED A THERAPY



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 WHOSE EFFICACY MAY BE ILLUSIONARY AND WHICH, IN SOME CASES,  
2 MAY ACTUALLY WORSEN THE PATIENT'S MEDICAL CONDITION. THEREFORE  
3 C.M.E. IS AS OPPOSED TO MEDICALIZATION OF CANNABIS UNLESS AND  
4 UNTIL THERE IS OBJECTIVE PROOF THAT SUCH USE IS SCIENTIFICALLY  
5 JUSTIFIABLE." THERE'S STILL SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT THE  
6 EFFECTIVENESS AND SAFETY OF MARIJUANA. THE THIRD ONE DOWN, LET  
7 ME CALL YOUR ATTENTION TO THAT ONE, TOO, IT'S, "MEDICAL  
8 SCIENCE DOES NOT FEAR ANY COMPOUND, EVEN THOSE WITH POTENTIAL  
9 ABUSE, ONLY IF COMPOUNDS FOR MARIJUANA PAST THE SAME TEST OF  
10 RESEARCH AND SCRUTINY THAT ANY OTHER DRUG MUST PASS, MUST  
11 UNDERGO UNTIL THEY BECOME PART-- WILL THEY BECOME PART OF THE  
12 MODERN MEDICAL ARSENAL." THE OTHER SIDE OF THE HANDOUT IS, AS  
13 A PHARMACIST, THESE ARE THE RULES AND REGULATIONS THAT I MUST  
14 ABIDE BY IN OPERATING A DISPENSARY IN CALIFORNIA. AND YOU CAN  
15 LOOK DOWN THROUGH HERE. NUMBER 2, THINGS SEEMS VERY OBVIOUS,  
16 LIKE I, AS A PROVIDER, MUST NEVER BE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF  
17 ALCOHOL OR DRUGS DURING MY WORK. NO UNLICENSED PERSONS MUST BE  
18 IN THE AREA. THE AREA MUST BE SECURE. WE MUST KEEP COMPLETE  
19 AND THOROUGH RECORDS OF OUR DISPENSINGS, NAMES, ADDRESSES,  
20 PHONE NUMBERS, WE NEED TO BE ABLE TO IDENTIFY THE PEOPLE THAT  
21 WE DISPENSE DANGEROUS DRUGS TO. I HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT--  
22 WELL, ALL OF THESE RULES COME AS A RESULT OF EXPERIENCE.  
23 THERE'S A PROBLEM IN AN AREA, THE STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY  
24 WRITES A RULE AND REGULATION TO KEEP THINGS ON THE UP AND UP,  
25 TO KEEP THINGS WHERE THEY SHOULD BE. THESE-- ALL THESE RULES



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 AND REGULATIONS COME BECAUSE THERE WAS A PROBLEM. WHERE ARE  
2 THE RULES AND REGULATIONS WITH THE PROPOSED DISPENSARIES OF  
3 MARIJUANA? MARIJUANA IS A DRUG THAT AFFECTS THE MIND, IT'S A  
4 POTENTIALLY ADDICTIVE DRUG, IT IS THE NUMBER ONE DRUG THAT--  
5 REASON THAT YOUNG PEOPLE ENTER REHAB TODAY. I THINK WE NEED TO  
6 TAKE A LOOK AT THIS AND, IF YOU'RE GOING TO DISPENSE THESE  
7 DRUGS, WHAT ARE YOUR RULES AND REGULATIONS? HOW ARE YOU GOING  
8 TO CONTROL IT? WHO IS GOING TO PRESCRIBE? WHO IS GOING TO BUY?  
9 THESE ARE ALL QUESTIONS THAT YOU NEED TO LOOK AT. THANK YOU  
10 FOR YOUR TIME.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. WHO'S NEXT? I DON'T HAVE THE  
13 CARDS.

14

15 **REBECCA HERNANDEZ:** GOOD MORNING. I'M REBECCA HERNANDEZ. THANK  
16 YOU FOR ALLOWING US TO COME THIS MORNING. I'M HERE AS A MOTHER  
17 OF TWO TEENS, A COMMUNITY LEADER AND A P.T.A. PRESIDENT OVER  
18 32 SCHOOLS AND I'D LIKE TO VOICE MY CONCERNS AT THE ZONING  
19 ORDINANCE ALLOWING MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES IN THE  
20 UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF L.A. COUNTY. THROUGH MY WORK WITH  
21 YOUTH AND FAMILIES AT A LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL, I UNDERSTAND  
22 FIRSTHAND THE EFFECTS OF SUBSTANCE USE AND ADDICTION,  
23 PARTICULARLY MARIJUANA. IT IS THE MOST COMMONLY USED ILLICIT  
24 DRUG AMONG YOUTH AND ADULTS IN THE UNITED STATES. BEING PASSED  
25 OUT TO YOU IS A RECENT S.A.M., SUBSTANCE ABUSE MONITORING



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 STUDY SHOWING THAT, AMONG JUVENILE ARRESTEES, 74% SHARED THAT  
2 THEY HAD USED MARIJUANA BEFORE THE AGE OF 15. THE SAME STUDY  
3 SHOWS THAT 49% OF ADULT ARRESTEES WHO FIRST USED MARIJUANA AS  
4 YOUTHS HAVE NOW USED METH. ANOTHER STUDY, OUR CALIFORNIA  
5 HEALTHY KIDS SURVEY, WHICH YOU MAY BE FAMILIAR WITH, SHARES  
6 THAT YOUTH PERCEIVE MARIJUANA TO BE LESS HARMFUL THAN TOBACCO.  
7 HAVING AN ORDINANCE IN OUR COUNTY ALLOWING THE DISPENSING OF  
8 MARIJUANA CAN ONLY HELP INCREASE OUR YOUTHS PERCEPTION THAT  
9 MARIJUANA IS HARMLESS. IT ALSO MAKES MARIJUANA MUCH MORE  
10 ACCESSIBLE TO OUR YOUTH. FINALLY, I NOTE, IN YOUR STAFF  
11 REPORT, THAT THIS ORDINANCE WILL ALLOW THE SMOKING AND  
12 CONSUMPTION OF MARIJUANA ON THE PREMISES OF EACH DISPENSARY.  
13 IT'S VERY TROUBLING TO ME. WHO WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR  
14 ENSURING THE SAFETY OF OUR NEIGHBORHOODS, HIGHWAYS AND  
15 FREEWAYS IN THE COUNTY AS MARIJUANA USERS DRIVE HOME OR  
16 ELSEWHERE? THERE HAVE BEEN NUMEROUS ACCIDENTS PROVED THAT  
17 DRUGGED DRIVING, DRIVING WHILE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF  
18 MARIJUANA, IS DANGEROUS AND HAS RESULTED IN ACCIDENTS AND, IN  
19 SOME CASES, FATALITIES. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I URGE  
20 YOU TO REVISIT THE ORDINANCE BEFORE YOU, THE ZONING ORDINANCE  
21 OF ANY MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES AS YOU KEEP THE BEST INTERESTS  
22 OF OUR YOUTH AT HEART. THANK YOU.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

25



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 **BARBARA GORDON:** HI. MY NAME IS BARBARA GORDON AND I REPRESENT  
2 SAFE COMMUNITY. I KNOW YOUR INTENT IN ALLOWING MEDICAL  
3 MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES IN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY WAS TO  
4 ESTABLISH A SAFE BUSINESS THAT WOULD NOT ADVERSELY AFFECT THE  
5 WELFARE OF NEARBY COMMUNITIES BUT I DON'T THINK THAT'S  
6 POSSIBLE. IN THE "L.A. TIMES" APRIL 4TH ARTICLE, IT TALKS  
7 ABOUT OTHER CALIFORNIA CITIES THAT HAVE PERMITTED THE  
8 ESTABLISHMENT OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES AND HAVE NOW  
9 WITNESSED THE INCREASE IN CRIME, SUCH AS BURGLARY, ROBBERIES,  
10 THE SALE OF ELICIT DRUGS AND IN THE AREAS IMMEDIATELY  
11 SURROUNDING THESE DISPENSARIES, ONCE OPENED. ARTICLE GOES ON  
12 WITH ARTICLES OF MEN WHO KICKED IN THE DOOR AND THE WINDOWS OF  
13 A MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSARY IN OAKLAND AND TRIED TO  
14 BURGLARIZE THE DISPENSARIES IN ALAMEDA COUNTY. THIEVES BROKE  
15 INTO A MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSARY, BURGLARIZED THE SAFE AND  
16 ROBBED THE PERSON THAT WAS THERE. IN THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO,  
17 THE DISPENSARIES HAVE BEEN, NUMEROUS TIMES, THE VICTIMS OF  
18 ARMED ROBBERIES. SOME DISPENSARIES HAVE BEEN BURGLARIZED  
19 MULTIPLE TIMES, LIKE THE DISPENSARY IN SAN MARCOS WAS  
20 BURGLARIZED TWO TIMES IN EIGHT DAYS. MARIJUANA IS A CASH CROP.  
21 THESE BUSINESSES WILL BE A TARGET FOR CRIME. IN AN EFFORT TO  
22 REDUCE THE CRIME, SOME OF THESE CITIES HAVE CHOSEN TO IMPOSE A  
23 MORATORIUM. OTHER CITIES HAVE BANNED THEM ALTOGETHER AND ALL  
24 FOR THE SAME REASON: TO PROTECT THE HEALTH, SAFETY, WELFARE OF



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 THEIR COMMUNITIES. PLEASE RETHINK WHAT YOU ARE DECIDING TODAY  
2 IN APPROVING THE MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

5

6 **JUDY RIDDLE:** GOOD MORNING. I'M JUDY RIDDLE AND I HAVE A COUPLE  
7 OF THINGS I'D LIKE TO SHARE WITH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. ONE  
8 IS WHAT'S CALLED THE DASIS REPORT, THE DRUG AND ALCOHOL  
9 SERVICE INFORMATION SYSTEM REPORT, WHICH COMPARES THE NUMBER  
10 OF PEOPLE GOING INTO TREATMENT WITH 1993 AND NOW 2003, THE  
11 LATEST YEAR OF RESEARCH, INDICATING THAT, OF ALL THE DRUGS,  
12 MARIJUANA HAS SHOWN THE LARGEST PERCENTAGE OF INCREASE IN THE  
13 REASON FOLKS ARE ENTERING TREATMENT. THIS IS ACROSS ALL AGES.  
14 BUT, UNDER THE AGE OF 18, IT IS THE ONLY DRUG THAT HAS  
15 INCREASED FOR THAT AGE GROUP. I'M REPRESENTING M.A.M.S,  
16 MOTHERS AGAINST MARIJUANA. WE'RE N INFORMAL GROUP HERE IN  
17 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WHO ARE APPALLED WITH THE NORM THAT EXISTS  
18 IN THE TEEN COMMUNITY THAT MARIJUANA IS HARMLESS AND WE THINK  
19 A LOT OF THIS "NORM" EXISTS BECAUSE OF THIS CONVERSATION THAT  
20 MARIJUANA MIGHT BE A MEDICINE. I WOULD SUGGEST TO YOU THAT  
21 MARIJUANA HAS GREAT POTENTIAL FOR HARM, PARTICULARLY FOR THE  
22 DEVELOPING THE ADOLESCENT BRAIN AND THAT ANY ORDINANCE THAT  
23 YOU ARE GOING TO CONSIDER, THAT YOUR FIRST CONSIDERATION OUGHT  
24 TO BE THE YOUTH OF THIS COUNTY AND THAT OUR FIRST  
25 RESPONSIBILITY OF ADULTS IS NOT TO DO ANYTHING THAT WOULD



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 INCREASE PROBLEMS FOR THEM. I THINK THAT YOU RECEIVED A LETTER  
2 FROM A MIDDLE SCHOOL TEACHER REPRESENTING THE MIDDLE SCHOOL  
3 TEACHERS HERE IN L.A. COUNTY LETTING YOU KNOW THAT IT'S THE  
4 DRUG THAT SHE SEES THAT INTERRUPTS THE EDUCATION OF HER  
5 SEVENTH AND EIGHTH GRADERS ABOVE ALL ELSE. THE DECREASE IN  
6 MOTIVATION THAT TEENS EXPERIENCE WHEN THEY'RE USING MARIJUANA  
7 AND THE DAMAGE THAT CREATES WHEN IT OCCURS AT THAT YOUNG AGE  
8 COULD-- IT'S JUST ALMOST IMMEASURABLE FOR LONG-TERM  
9 CONSEQUENCES, FOR THE HEALTH AND WELFARE OF THESE FUTURE  
10 CITIZENS. ALSO, THIS IS NOT WITHOUT CONCERN TO THE TEEN  
11 POPULATION. THE OTHER HANDOUT THAT YOU'VE RECEIVED IS A RECENT  
12 GALLUP POLL THAT WAS HERE IN OUR "L.A. TIMES" TALKING ABOUT  
13 THE CONCERNS THAT OUR TEENAGERS TELL US ARE OF MOST CONCERN TO  
14 THEM. AND, IF YOU'LL LOOK FAR AND ABOVE ANY OTHER CONCERN THAT  
15 EXISTS IN THE TEEN POPULATION, YOU THINK OF THE SORT OF THINGS  
16 THAT TEENS ARE CONCERNED ABOUT, DRUGS, SMOKING AND ALCOHOL,  
17 31% OF OUR TEENS LIST THAT AS NUMBER 1, AND THEN IT DROPS DOWN  
18 TO 17, WHICH IS QUITE A LITTLE DROP. M.A.M.S, THOSE OF US WHO  
19 HAVE HAD CHILDREN WHO USE MARIJUANA RECOGNIZE PERSONALLY WHAT  
20 THIS LOOKS LIKE AND WE WANT YOU, AS OUR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,  
21 TO REMEMBER THAT MARIJUANA IS HIGHLY ADDICTIVE, PARTICULARLY  
22 TO TEENS AND WE REALLY FEEL THAT THESE DISPENSARIES, NOT ONLY  
23 BECAUSE THEY KIND OF SEND THIS MESSAGE THAT MARIJUANA IS  
24 HARMLESS, ALSO IS GOING TO MAKE IT FAR MORE AVAILABLE TO OUR  
25 TEENS. YOUR LAW ENFORCEMENT, WHEN THEY DID UNDERCOVER STINGS





**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 FOR ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO, AT LEAST A THIRD OF THE TIME, MINORS  
2 WERE SOLD TO. WHAT MAKES US THINK THE DISPENSARIES WOULD BE  
3 ANY DIFFERENT?

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** YOU ALL UNDERSTAND, OF COURSE, WE'RE TRYING TO  
6 REACT TO A VOTER-APPROVED AND COURT UPHELD INITIATIVE IN  
7 TRYING TO CONTROL THE DISPENSARIES AS MUCH AS WE CAN WITHOUT  
8 VIOLATING THE LAW? I MEAN, WE CAN BE ESOTERIC AND TALK ABOUT  
9 DIFFERENT WAYS, BUT WE'RE JUST-- YOU KNOW, THIS HAS BEEN A  
10 LONG PROCESS.

11

12 **JUDY RIDDLE:** COULD I ADDRESS PROPOSITION 215 AND SP-420, THE  
13 STATE LAWS THAT SORT OF SUGGEST HOW MARIJUANA BE HANDLED IN  
14 THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA? A CAREFUL READING OF THOSE DOES NOT  
15 INDICATE THAT MARIJUANA SHOULD BE DISPENSED IN A PROFIT-MAKING  
16 BUSINESS. IT IS TO BE DISPENSED WITH A CAREGIVER/PATIENT  
17 RELATIONSHIP, AND A DISPENSARY IS A PROFIT-MAKING BUSINESS. IT  
18 IS NOT A CAREGIVER/PATIENT RELATIONSHIP.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU.

21

22 **JUDY RIDDLE:** THANK YOU.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** DO YOU WANT TO RESPOND TO THAT, RAY?

25



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1   **RICHARD WEISS:** MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THE SPEAKER IS  
2   CORRECT, MEDICAL MARIJUANA LAWS IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO  
3   PROHIBIT A FOR-PROFIT BUSINESS OPERATION. HOWEVER, NOTHING IN  
4   YOUR BOARD'S ORDINANCE AUTHORIZES A FOR-BUSINESS, A FOR-PROFIT  
5   BUSINESS ORGANIZATION AND ANY APPLICANT OR PERMITTEE UNDER  
6   YOUR BOARD'S ORDINANCE WOULD BE REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH ALL  
7   STATE LAWS IN THAT REGARD.

8

9   **SUP. KNABE:** IF, AS IS IT RELATES TO THE MINOR C.U.P. VERSUS  
10   THE FULL C.U.P., I MEAN, ARE WE ABLE TO AMEND THIS ORDINANCE  
11   TO INCLUDE A FULL C.U.P.?

12

13   **RICHARD WEISS:** SUPERVISOR KNABE, WHEN WE HAD THE HEARING TWO  
14   WEEKS AGO, THAT MOTION WAS MADE AT THAT TIME AND THAT MOTION  
15   FAILED.

16

17   **SUP. KNABE:** I UNDERSTAND.

18

19   **RICHARD WEISS:** HOWEVER, YOUR BOARD COULD CONSIDER THAT MOTION  
20   AGAIN. THE ORDINANCE HAS NOT YET BEEN ADOPTED AND IS STILL  
21   BEFORE YOU.

22

23   **SUP. KNABE:** DOES THE MINOR C.U.P., AS I UNDERSTAND IT AGAIN,  
24   WE HAD THE LENGTHY DISCUSSION ON IT, THIS BOARD WOULD NEVER



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 SEE IT ON APPEAL, WE'D NEVER SEEN THE ISSUE BEFORE US ON AN  
2 APPLICATION, IS THAT CORRECT?

3

4 **RICHARD WEISS:** THAT IS CORRECT. THE PLANNING COMMISSION WOULD  
5 BE THE FINAL APPELLATE BODY FOR A MINOR CONDITIONAL USE  
6 PERMIT.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** THE APPOINTED BODY.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** JUAN DOE HAD SIGNED UP BUT I'M GOING  
11 TO RULE JUAN DOE-- OKAY. WOULD YOU PLEASE COME UP?

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU.

14

15 **MIGUEL A. GUZMAN:** YES. GOOD MORNING, EVERYBODY.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IS THAT YOUR LEGAL NAME?

18

19 **MIGUEL A. GUZMAN:** NO. MY LEGAL NAME IS MIGUEL GUZMAN AND I'M A  
20 RESIDENT OF HAWTHORNE HERE IN THE L.A. COUNTY. BASICALLY, MY  
21 CONCERNS ABOUT THIS IS THAT, AS WE ALL KNOW, MARIJUANA HAS  
22 BEEN WITH OUR-- IN THESE LANDS WITH OUR INDIGENOUS PEOPLE FOR  
23 A LONG TIME AND IT HAS ONLY NOW BEEN USED FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
24 SMOKING. IT HAS ALSO BEEN USED FOR THE PURPOSE OF CLOTHING,  
25 PAPER AND OTHER-- AND OTHER STUFF THAT WE HAVE-- HAS BEEN



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1   HELPING OUR PEOPLE. AND NOW, I'M NOT SURE WHAT YEAR IT WAS  
2   THAT, YOU KNOW, THE LOG COMPANY, THEY FOUND OUT ABOUT THIS AND  
3   THEY DID NOT WANT THEIR BUSINESS TO BE TURNED DOWN BECAUSE, AS  
4   WE ALL KNOW, ALL THE AMERICAN DREAM IS ABOUT MAKING MONEY,  
5   ENSLAVING PEOPLE FOR THE PURPOSE OF HAVING A BETTER LIFE FOR  
6   THEIR FAMILY. AS THE ROMANS SAID, SO WE COULD PAMPER OUR  
7   PEOPLE, WE MUST SLAVE OTHERS. AND THE CRIMES IN ALL OF THIS  
8   THAT EVERYBODY IS SAYING THAT IS COMMITTED, THAT IS AFFECTING  
9   THE YOUTH, BASICALLY, IF ANY SUBSTANCE THAT IS ABUSED IS  
10  AFFECTED FOR OUR-- IT AFFECTS OUR BODIES, BASICALLY, THE-- FOR  
11  US TO BE ABLE TO UNDERSTAND WHAT WE GO THROUGH IN OUR  
12  COMMUNITIES, WE HAVE TO LIVE IN OUR COMMUNITIES AND BASICALLY  
13  I AM PART OF MY COMMUNITY. I WAS, YOU KNOW, I CAME HERE TO THE  
14  UNITED STATES WHEN I WAS 12 YEARS OLD AND I STARTED SEEING  
15  MARIJUANA WHEN I WAS IN MY NATIVE TOWN IN MEXICO. I DID NOT  
16  SEE ANY MARIJUANA OR I DID NOT KNOW. YES, IT IS HERE, IT IS ON  
17  THE STREETS BUT IT IS MISLED AND MISUNDERSTOOD OF THE USE OF  
18  IT BECAUSE THERE'S SOME PEOPLE THAT HAVE TO SMOKE MARIJUANA  
19  FOR THEM TO BE ABLE TO HAVE A MEAL OR FOR THEM TO BE ABLE TO  
20  RELEASE STRESS THAT WE GO THROUGH IN THE DAILY, YOU KNOW, IN  
21  THE DAILY ROUTINE THAT WE GO THROUGH EVERY DAY. SO THE  
22  BURGLARIES, THE ROBBERIES AND ALL OF THESE THINGS THAT  
23  HAPPENED, IT IS NOT BECAUSE OF MARIJUANA, IT IS BECAUSE OF  
24  CRACK COCAINE AND, AS WE ALL KNOW, THAT METHAMPHETAMINE AND  
25  ALL OF THIS OTHER BIG DRUGS, THEY'RE THE ONES-- I MEAN, AS



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 YOU-- IF YOU GO ON THE RECORDS, YOU WILL KNOW WHO IS DOING THE  
2 BURGLAR-- THE ROBBERIES AND ALL OF THIS BECAUSE I KNOW WHO'S  
3 DOING THEM BECAUSE I SEE THE PEOPLE OUT IN THE STREETS, YOU  
4 KNOW, BEGGING FOR MONEY. I MEAN, IF WE ARE GOING TO  
5 CONCENTRATE ABOUT MARIJUANA BEING BAD, ABOUT OUR TEENAGERS  
6 SMOKING IT, WE HAVE TO CONCENTRATE ON THE BIG PICTURE, WHICH  
7 IS TAKING ALL THE OTHER BIG DRUGS OUT OF OUR STREETS FOR OUR  
8 STREETS TO BE SAFE AND OUR STUDENTS TO GET THE PROPER  
9 EDUCATION THAT WE NEED. I MEAN, MARIJUANA IS A STIMULATING--  
10 IT STIMULATES OUR MINDS FOR US TO DEVELOP IN A DIFFERENT WAY  
11 BUT, IF WE ABUSE IT, THEN IT'S JUST AFFECTING US.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

14

15 **MIGUEL A. GUZMAN:** THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** NO, I JUST HAD THE QUESTION, I MEAN, I'M STILL IN  
20 SUPPORT OF A FULL USE C.U.P. AND I JUST WOULD-- I KNOW WE  
21 DON'T HAVE A FULL BOARD BUT I MOVE THAT WE AMEND THIS  
22 ORDINANCE TO INCLUDE A FULL USE C.U.P. VERSUS A MINOR C.U.P.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I'LL SECOND THAT. AND THERE'S BEEN A  
25 LOT OF CONCERNS RAISED BY THE COMMUNITY WHEN YOU CONSIDER THAT



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 THESE TYPES OF FACILITIES WOULD ALLOW THE USE OF MARIJUANA AT  
2 THE SITE, WHICH SOME PEOPLE FEEL IS A PROBLEM IF YOU DON'T  
3 HAVE A DESIGNATED DRIVER HAVING THESE INDIVIDUALS ON THE  
4 ROADWAY, THERE'S A SAFETY FACTOR BUT THE ABSENCE OF ALLOWING  
5 THE COMMUNITY TO HAVE FULL INVOLVEMENT THROUGH THE ABILITY TO  
6 HEAR THIS PUBLICLY IN A FORUM BY THEIR ELECTED  
7 REPRESENTATIVES, IS ABUSE OF THE DEMOCRATIC PROCESS. THOSE  
8 HOMEOWNERS, RESIDENTS OF A COMMUNITY OUGHT TO HAVE THE ABILITY  
9 TO ADDRESS THEIR ELECTED OFFICIALS TO GIVE THEIR POINT OF VIEW  
10 BEFORE A DECISION IS MADE AND NOT HAVE APPOINTED PEOPLE MAKE  
11 THAT DECISION FOR THEM. SO I WOULD SECOND THE MOTION. OKAY.  
12 CALL THE ROLL.

13

14 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** SUPERVISOR BURKE?

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** NO.

17

18 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO.

21

22 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** AYE.

25



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

2

3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AYE. MOTION TIED, 2-2 VOTE. MOTION FAILS.

4 OKAY. NEXT ITEM IS...

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU HAVE THE ORDINANCE BEFORE YOU NOW.

7

8 **RICHARD WEISS:** MR. MAYOR, THE ORDINANCE, AS CURRENTLY WRITTEN,  
9 BASED ON YOUR INSTRUCTIONS AT THE CLOSE OF THE HEARING, DOES  
10 PROVIDE FOR A MINOR C.U.P. AND YOUR MOTION TO MODIFY THE  
11 ORDINANCE TO REQUIRE A REGULAR C.U.P. CANNOT BE ACTED ON WITH  
12 A 2-2 VOTE.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ARE YOU NOT GOING TO SUPPORT IT? ALL RIGHT.  
15 WHEN DO WE NEXT HAVE MS. MOLINA HERE?

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** SHE'S HERE NEXT WEEK.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, BUT MS. BURKE IS NOT HERE NEXT WEEK.  
20 ARE YOU HERE NEXT WEEK?

21

22 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** SECOND WEEK OF MAY, I THINK.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHICH IS WHAT DATE?

25





**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** MAY 9TH.

2

3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. THEN I WOULD MOVE THIS MATTER BE  
4 PUT OVER 'TIL MAY 9TH.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO  
7 ORDERED. ITEM NUMBER 24, SUPERVISOR KNABE.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** YES, MR. MAYOR. ONE OF MY FAVORITE SUBJECTS, THE  
10 WORLD FAMOUS LEADER PROJECT. WE KNOW THAT THIS PARTICULAR  
11 BOARD LETTER AND THE AMENDMENT IS CREATING 500 NEW LEADERS  
12 WORKSTATIONS, 139 FOR THE D.P.S. AT YOUR CALL CENTER, 361  
13 ADDITIONAL WORKSTATIONS FOR CLERICAL AND ELIGIBILITY STAFF.  
14 IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT MOST OF THIS IS PROPRIETARY, IF  
15 THAT'S CORRECT. IT'S ALSO BEING OPERATED BY UNISYS SOFTWARE. I  
16 GUESS, WHY ARE WE CONTINUING TO CONTRIBUTING TO ADD DOLLARS TO  
17 A CONTRACT TO PURCHASE ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT, SUCH AS THIS  
18 SOFTWARE, THAT NO OTHER CONTRACTOR CAN OPERATE WHEN WE ARE  
19 SUPPOSED TO BE IN THE PROCESS OF OPENING THE LEADER SYSTEM UP  
20 TO BID?

21

22 **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, BRYCE  
23 YOKOMIZO, D.P.S.S. AND JOINING ME TODAY ARE CIO JON  
24 FULLINWIDER AND CHIEF DEPUTY, LISA NUNEZ, WHO MANAGES OUR  
25 LEADER OPERATION. SUPERVISOR KNABE, THE AMENDMENT-- OR THE



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 MOTION TODAY ON THE 500 WORK STATIONS, ACTUALLY, ALTHOUGH  
2 LEADER IS A PROPRIETARY SYSTEM, THESE WORKSTATIONS WOULD BE  
3 ABLE FOR US TO USE, THEY WOULD BECOME THE PROPERTY OF LOS  
4 ANGELES COUNTY AND WE WOULD-- THESE WORKSTATIONS WOULD BE  
5 COMPATIBLE WITH ANY SYSTEM THAT WE HAD, REGARDLESS OF WHO  
6 MIGHT TAKE ON THE NEW LEADER SYSTEM. SO THE WORKSTATIONS  
7 THEMSELVES WOULD NOT BE PROPRIETARY AND THEY WOULD BE  
8 COMPATIBLE WITH THE USE BY THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IN ANY  
9 WAY THAT WE WOULD SEE FIT.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** SO WE'RE NOT GOING TO HAVE TO SPEND ANY MONEY ON  
12 THE REMOVAL OF ANY UNISYS PROPRIETARY SOFTWARE?

13

14 **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** ABSOLUTELY NOT. WE WOULD CONTINUE TO BE ABLE  
15 TO UTILIZE THE WORKSTATIONS, REGARDLESS OF WHAT SYSTEM WE WERE  
16 TO OPERATE WITH.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** SO WE'RE NOT GOING TO HAVE TO CONTINUE TO SPEND  
19 THIS MONEY ON THESE TURN AROUND, RIP IT OUT AND, YOU KNOW, I  
20 MEAN, WHAT'S THE REALITY? I MEAN, IF, YOU KNOW, YOU SAY YOU  
21 OWN THIS OR WHATEVER, I MEAN, THE FACT IS, IF IT WENT OUT TO,  
22 YOU KNOW, ANOTHER VENDOR, THEN WHAT HAPPENS?

23



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1   **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** THE REALITY IS, WE'D STILL CONTINUE TO BE ABLE  
2   TO USE THESE WORKSTATIONS. THESE WORKSTATIONS WOULD BE  
3   COMPATIBLE...

4

5   **SUP. KNABE:** WHAT ABOUT THE SOFTWARE?

6

7   **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** THE SOFTWARE, JON, WOULD YOU...?

8

9   **JON FULLINWIDER:** MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THE SOFTWARE  
10  THAT UNISYS HAS DEVELOPED IS PROPRIETARY AND, DURING THEIR  
11  RECOMPETITION OF THIS, ONE OF THE REQUIREMENTS WOULD BE TO  
12  REMOVE A LEADER FROM ITS PROPRIETARY ENVIRONMENT, TO TAKE IT  
13  OFF THE UNISYS MAINFRAME, ITS PROPRIETARY DATABASE ENVIRONMENT  
14  AND CONVERT THE CODE TO A MORE OPEN ENVIRONMENT SUCH THAT IT  
15  COULD OPERATE IN ANY COMPUTER ENVIRONMENT AT THAT POINT IN  
16  TIME, THUS LEVELING THE PLAYING FIELD. THE DEVICES THAT WE'RE  
17  ACQUIRING ARE REALLY TWO-FOLD. ONE IS TO MEET THE ADDITIONAL  
18  DEMANDS THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAS NOW TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO  
19  LEADER WITH THE ADDITIONAL STAFF THAT THEY'VE PUT IN PLACE AND  
20  THOSE DEVICES WILL CERTAINLY BE VIABLE OVER THE NEXT FOUR TO  
21  FIVE YEARS THAT WE WILL CONTINUE TO OPERATE LEADER DURING THIS  
22  RE-COMPETE PERIOD, WHILE WE'RE PUTTING IN PLACE ALTERNATIVE  
23  SOLUTIONS.

24



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1   **SUP. KNABE:** WHY WOULD IT TAKE SO LONG, THEN, TO CREATE AN OPEN  
2   SYSTEM? WOULD WE BE PAYING UNISYS, THEN, TO TAKE THIS DOWN AND  
3   THEN TO CREATE AN OPEN SYSTEM?

4

5   **JON FULLINWIDER:** IT'S JUST THE-- IT'S THE TIMING ISSUE. WE  
6   HAVE ONE YEAR REMAINING ON THE CONTRACT AS IT IS RIGHT NOW. WE  
7   WILL PUT THE R.F.P. ON THE STREET IN SEPTEMBER OF THIS YEAR.  
8   WE'LL BEGIN CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE SELECTED VENDOR IN  
9   APRIL OF NEXT YEAR AND WE ASSUME THAT THAT WILL PROBABLY GO  
10   THROUGH NOVEMBER OF '07, AT WHICH POINT IN TIME WE WILL HAVE  
11   TO NEGOTIATE WITH UNISYS TO CONTINUE TO OPERATE THE EXISTING  
12   LEADER SYSTEM WHILE THE NEW VENDOR IS TAKING THE OLD LEADER  
13   SYSTEM AND MODIFYING AND CONVERTING IT TO THE OPEN  
14   ENVIRONMENT. THE ESTIMATES BY THE STATE AND BY FOX SYSTEMS,  
15   OUR CONSULTANT, SUGGEST THAT THIS IS GOING TO TAKE A MINIMUM  
16   OF FOUR YEARS AND MAY TAKE UP TO FIVE TO SIX YEARS, AND THAT'S  
17   ONE OF THE REASONS THAT WE HAVE IDENTIFIED POTENTIALLY FIVE  
18   YEARS. WE WOULD BE COMING TO THE BOARD WITH A FOUR-YEAR PLUS A  
19   COUPLE OF OPTION YEARS IN THE EVENT THAT IT WOULD TAKE LONGER  
20   TO DO THAT BUT YES.

21

22   **SUP. KNABE:** AND SO WILL IT COST US, THEN? WILL IT COST THIS  
23   COUNTY FOR US TO REMOVE THAT PROPRIETARY SOFTWARE AS WE MOVE  
24   TOWARDS AN OPEN SYSTEM?

25



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1   **JON FULLINWIDER:** YES. IT WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE-- NOT TO  
2   REMOVE IT. THE COST TO BASICALLY CONVERT FROM THE EXISTING  
3   PROPRIETARY UNISYS ENVIRONMENT WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE  
4   CONTRACT WITH THE NEW VENDOR THAT IS SELECTED.

5

6   **SUP. KNABE:** SO THE NEW VENDOR WOULD PAY FOR THAT COST?

7

8   **JON FULLINWIDER:** THAT'S CORRECT.

9

10   **SUP. KNABE:** NOT THE COUNTY.

11

12   **JON FULLINWIDER:** WELL, WE'RE GOING TO PAY FOR IT THROUGH OUR  
13   CONTRACT.

14

15   **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** THERE WOULD BE A NET COUNTY COST INVOLVED.

16

17   **JON FULLINWIDER:** THERE WOULD CERTAINLY BE A COST TO DO THAT  
18   BECAUSE WE ARE...

19

20   **SUP. KNABE:** ONCE AGAIN?

21

22   **JON FULLINWIDER:** WE ARE SIGNIFICANTLY MODIFYING NOT ONLY THE  
23   WAY LEADER OPERATES, BECAUSE WE'RE MOVING IT TO A WEB-ENABLED  
24   ENVIRONMENT, BUT WE'RE ALSO CHANGING SOME OF THE INTERNAL



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 LOGIC OF HOW LEADER OPERATES AND CALCULATES ELIGIBILITY, ET  
2 CETERA, YES.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** FROM A CONCEPTUAL STANDPOINT, OBVIOUSLY, THE CALL  
5 CENTER IS GOING TO CHANGE THE WAY YOU DO BUSINESS AND THAT  
6 WILL BE A GOOD THING. I JUST HAVE ISSUE. I MEAN, THEY JUST  
7 KEEP COMING BACK. THE WORKSTATIONS, I UNDERSTAND PHYSICALLY,  
8 YOU CAN PROBABLY KEEP THOSE BUT WE JUST KEEP ADDING MORE AND  
9 MORE MONEY TO THE CONTRACT AND, AT THE END OF THE DAY, WE'RE  
10 GOING TO HAVE TO PAY TO REMOVE, YOU KNOW, THAT BUSINESS. AND I  
11 JUST DON'T THINK THE BOARD LETTER DOES A GOOD JOB IN  
12 EXPLAINING WHY WE CONTINUE TO ADD DOLLARS TO THIS CONTRACT  
13 THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO REMOVE AT THE END OF THE DAY AND  
14 PAY FOR.

15

16 **LISA NUNEZ:** SUPERVISOR KNABE, THIS IS LISA NUNEZ, I'M THE  
17 CHIEF DEPUTY FOR THE DEPARTMENT AND RESPONSIBLE FOR THE LEADER  
18 PROJECT.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** BLESS YOU.

21

22 **LISA NUNEZ:** (LAUGHTER). THANK YOU. THE TERMINALS THAT WE'RE--  
23 THE P.C.S THAT WE'RE REQUESTING RIGHT HERE, THE 500 AND THE 25  
24 PRINTERS, ARE FOR NEW STAFF THAT HAVE COME ON BOARD FOR ABOUT  
25 200 STAFF FOR THE MEDI-CAL MULTI-YEAR FUNDING PROJECT THAT YOU



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 APPROVED FOR 139 FOR OUR CALL CENTER AND FOR THE ADDITIONAL  
2 CLERICAL SUPPORT AND MANAGEMENT STAFF THAT HAVE COME ON BOARD  
3 THAT ARE NEW STAFF TO THE DEPARTMENT. WITHOUT THE TERMINALS,  
4 THEY CANNOT DO THEIR JOBS. AS BRYCE MENTIONED, THESE TERMINALS  
5 THEMSELVES ARE NOT PROPRIETARY. THEY CAN BE USED FOR ANYTHING  
6 ELSE AND THEY CAN CONTINUE WITH THE NEXT CONTRACT, SHOULD WE  
7 DECIDE THAT TO BE THE CASE.

8

9 **SUP. BURKE:** I CAN UNDERSTAND THE WORKSTATIONS. WHERE I'M  
10 GETTING REALLY VERY CONFUSED IS THAT, IF THE STATE REQUIRES A  
11 NEW R.F.P. TO GO OUT IN APRIL 2007, AND MAYBE I NEED A  
12 CLARIFICATION ON THIS, DO THEY ANTICIPATE THAT THAT R.F.P.  
13 WOULD GO OVER FOR FIVE YEARS? IS THAT WHAT THEY ARE  
14 ANTICIPATING? OR IS IT THEIR EXPECTATION AND I ASSUME THE  
15 REASON-- IF THEY'RE SAYING 2007 FOR REDESIGN, IS THAT THEY  
16 WANT SOMETHING THAT'S COMPATIBLE IN TERMS OF SOME OF THEIR  
17 COMPUTERS AND THEIR SYSTEMS AND THEIR SOFTWARE. IS THAT REALLY  
18 THE REASON?

19

20 **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** WELL, SUPERVISOR, THE LEADER SYSTEM, AS YOU'RE  
21 WELL AWARE, IT'S A MASSIVE SYSTEM AND SO IT'S A VERY, VERY  
22 LARGE SYSTEM AND, TO CONVERT THE DATABASE OVER TO WHOEVER THE  
23 NEW CONTRACTOR WOULD BE TO MAINTAIN THE LEADER SYSTEM, IS  
24 GOING TO TAKE SOME TIME. IT'S NOT A MATTER OF ONLY  
25 TRANSFERRING THE DATABASE BUT, IN ADDITION TO THAT, WE'RE





**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 GOING TO HAVE TO BE CONTINUING OUR REGULAR BUSINESS PROCESS OF  
2 MANAGING OUR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE CASELOADS HERE IN OUR COUNTY AT  
3 THE SAME TIME. SO IT'S NOT SOMETHING THAT IS GOING TO BE  
4 EASILY DONE. IT'S GOING TO BE SOMETHING THAT'S GOING TO  
5 REQUIRE A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF DEVELOPMENT AND DESIGN IN ORDER TO  
6 MAKE THE TRANSITION.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE:** WHY IS THE STATE REQUIRING AN R.F.P. BY APRIL  
9 2007?

10

11 **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** THE REAL PURPOSE FOR THE STATE TO DO THAT IS  
12 THEY REALLY WANT TO MAKE IT A COMPETITIVE ENVIRONMENT. THEY DO  
13 NOT WANT TO HAVE ONE PARTICULAR CONTRACTOR OR ONE PARTICULAR  
14 CORPORATION MAKE A PROPOSAL TO-- FOR THE CONTINUAL USE OR THE  
15 CONTINUAL MAINTENANCE OF A SYSTEM LIKE THIS. THEY WANT TO MAKE  
16 IT OPEN AND COMPETITIVE. WHAT WE'RE REALLY HOPING TO DO IS  
17 CHANGE THE ARCHITECTURE OF THE LEADER SYSTEM SO THAT ANYONE  
18 CAN COME IN AND OPENLY BID ON THE MAINTENANCE OF THAT.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE:** NOW, THAT STATE REGULATION OR WHATEVER LETTER OR  
21 WHATEVER IT IS THAT INDICATED THAT IT HAD TO BE AN R.F.P. BY  
22 2007, DID IT HAVE ANY DATES-- OTHER DATES IN THERE IN TERMS OF  
23 THE COMPLETION OR THE REDESIGN?

24



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1   **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** WE DO ANTICIPATE THAT, WITHIN A YEAR'S PERIOD  
2   OF TIME BEYOND THAT, WE WOULD BE ABLE TO HAVE THE COMPLETE--  
3   THE WHOLE PROCESS COMPLETED. AS A MATTER OF FACT, I BELIEVE--  
4   WAS IT NOVEMBER OF...?

5

6   **SUP. BURKE:** SEE, WHERE I'M TRYING TO FIGURE OUT, HOW THAT  
7   COORDINATES WITH A 5-YEAR ADDITIONAL FROM 2007.

8

9   **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** OKAY. IF WE HAVE A NEW-- IF WE HAVE A NEW  
10   VENDOR COME IN TO RUN OUR LEADER SYSTEM, THEY WILL BE WORKING  
11   ON THE DEVELOPMENT AND DESIGN OF A NEW WELFARE COMPUTER SYSTEM  
12   BUT DAY-TO-DAY OPERATIONS ARE STILL GOING TO HAVE TO CONTINUE  
13   AND THAT IS WHAT THE FIVE-YEAR PERIOD OF TIME IS FOR.

14

15   **SUP. BURKE:** IS IT ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY TO TAKE FIVE YEARS IN  
16   ORDER TO DO THAT? THAT CAN'T BE DONE IN A SHORTER PERIOD OF  
17   TIME?

18

19   **JON FULLINWIDER:** IT MAY BE DONE IN A SHORTER PERIOD OF TIME.  
20   WE WOULD ACTUALLY BE COMING FORWARD AND ASKING FOR A FOUR-YEAR  
21   WITH THREE OPTION YEARS.

22

23   **SUP. BURKE:** WHAT ABOUT A THREE-YEAR WITH A TWO-YEAR OPTION?  
24   COULD YOU WORK WITH THAT?

25



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1     **LISA NUNEZ:** WE COULD.

2

3     **SUP. BURKE:** I WOULD FEEL MUCH MORE COMFORTABLE WITH THAT. I  
4     THINK THAT, WHEN YOU START TALKING ABOUT A FIVE-YEAR WHEN YOU  
5     THINK YOU'RE GOING TO BRING IN NEW PEOPLE, I WOULD THINK SOME  
6     OF THESE THINGS BECOME OBSOLETE IN FIVE YEARS. SO YOU CAN WORK  
7     WITH THAT THREE-YEAR INSTEAD OF FIVE-YEAR?

8

9     **JON FULLINWIDER:** THE FOUR YEARS BASICALLY WAS A RECOMMENDATION  
10    BY THE STATE. WE'VE BEEN MEETING WITH THEM ON A MONTHLY BASIS.  
11    THEY HAVE RECOMMENDED THAT WE LOOK AT EXTENDING THE CONTRACT  
12    AND...

13

14    **SUP. BURKE:** I WOULD SUGGEST A THREE-YEAR AND THEN YOU COULD  
15    HAVE ANNUAL EXTENSIONS OF THAT. NOW, THESE WORKSTATIONS, IT'S  
16    VERY CLEAR THAT THEY WOULD BE, AFTER APRIL 2007 OR WE'RE  
17    TALKING NOW ABOUT 2010, IF THE POSSIBILITY OF YOU HAVE AN  
18    R.F.P. AND HAVE SOMEONE ELSE ON IN THREE YEARS, THOSE  
19    WORKSTATIONS ARE CONVERTIBLE TO THE NEW SOFTWARE? YES?

20

21    **JON FULLINWIDER:** THAT'S CORRECT.

22

23    **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** THAT'S CORRECT. THE WORKSTATIONS THAT WE HAVE  
24    WOULD BE THE PROPERTY OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND IT WOULD BE



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 COMPATIBLE WITH ANY SYSTEM THAT WE WOULD SUBSEQUENTLY  
2 IMPLEMENT.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** BUT LEADER WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEM AND THE  
5 THE 232 MILLION IT REFERS TO WHAT LENGTH OF TIME?

6

7 **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** THE 232 MILLION APPLIES TO THE ACTUAL AMOUNT  
8 OF EXPENDITURES FOR THE LEADER SYSTEM SINCE ITS INCEPTION TO  
9 DATE, INCLUDING THIS AMENDMENT.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** FOR THESE 500 PLUS OTHER THINGS?

12

13 **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** YES, FOR-- INCLUDING THE WORKSTATIONS.  
14 ACTUALLY, IT'S OVER 252. IT'S CLOSER TO 253 MILLION.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** I SEE. AND SO THAT COVERS THE ADDITIONAL  
17 WORKSTATIONS PLUS REDESIGN OR CHANGES IN THE SYSTEM THAT WE  
18 REQUIRE?

19

20 **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** NO. SUPERVISOR, THE AMENDMENT FOR TODAY'S--  
21 FOR TODAY'S MOTION BEFORE YOUR BOARD ONLY COVERS APPROXIMATELY  
22 ROUGHLY 996,000 DOLLARS THAT COVERS THESE WORKSTATIONS. IT  
23 DOES NOT INCLUDE THE FUTURE DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE NEW  
24 LEADER SYSTEM.

25



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1    **SUP. BURKE:** I UNDERSTAND THAT. WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN  
2    THE 96 AND 250?

3

4    **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** OKAY. THE 996,000 DOLLARS IS THE AMENDMENT  
5    THAT IS BEFORE YOUR BOARD TODAY FOR THE WORKSTATIONS AND SOME  
6    OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ADJUSTMENTS THAT NEED TO BE MADE.  
7    THE 232 MILLION IS THE CUMULATIVE AMOUNT THAT LEADER HAS COST  
8    US TO DATE.

9

10   **SUP. BURKE:** OH, I SEE. OKAY. ALL OF THE CHANGES AND EVERYTHING  
11   ELSE TO DATE, THAT'S WHAT THE 232 IS?

12

13   **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** THAT'S CORRECT.

14

15   **SUP. BURKE:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT.

16

17   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? JUAN DOE. ANDREW-  
18   - YOUR NAME IS ANDREW, NOT JUAN DOE AND, BECAUSE YOU DIDN'T  
19   SIGN UP UNDER YOUR PROPER...

20

21   **ANDREW AHLERING:** (OFF-MIKE) .

22

23   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU'RE GOING TO...

24

25   **ANDREW AHLERING:** (OFF-MIKE) .



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1

2 **SUP. BURKE:** MAYBE HE SHOULD BRING US THE STATE ATTORNEY  
3 GENERAL OPINION TO CLARIFY THAT, SINCE I'M NOT...

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. LET US US ASK FOR THE ATTORNEY  
6 GENERAL'S OPINION ON THAT POINT.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE:** OUR COUNTY COUNSEL HAS BEEN TELLING US  
9 DIFFERENTLY.

10

11 **RAY FORTNER, COUNSEL:** MR. MAYOR, WE WILL DO SO. YOUR BOARD'S  
12 RULES REQUIRE THAT PERSONS IDENTIFY THEMSELVES FOR THE RECORD  
13 AND USE OF A FICTITIOUS NAME LIKE THAT WOULD NOT COMPORT WITH  
14 YOUR RULES.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO WE WILL RULE YOU OUT OF ORDER FOR  
17 NOT IDENTIFYING YOURSELF ACCORDING TO THE BOARD REGULATIONS.  
18 SO A MOTION BY-- WE'LL REQUEST THAT OPINION, WITHOUT OBJECTION  
19 FROM THE BOARD FROM OUR COUNTY COUNSEL TO THE ATTORNEY  
20 GENERAL.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE:** IT'S HIS RESPONSIBILITY TO REQUEST IT, THE ONE  
23 WHO'S ASKING...

24



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** HIS-- OKAY. IT THE APPLICANT'S  
2    AUTHORITY, THEN. BUT, ON THIS MOTION, MOTION BY BURKE,  
3    SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

4

5    **SUP. BURKE:** AND THAT WAS WITH THE AMENDMENT OF THREE YEARS.

6

7    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AS AMENDED.

8

9    **SUP. BURKE:** WITH ANNUAL INCREASES.

10

11   **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** FOR HOW MANY YEARS?

12

13   **SUP. BURKE:** TO FIVE.

14

15   **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** UP TO FIVE YEARS.

16

17   **SUP. BURKE:** RIGHT. THAT'S RIGHT.

18

19   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. ANY OBJECTIONS TO THAT? SO  
20   ORDERED. OKAY. YOU HAVE ITEM NUMBER 1-P?

21

22   **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** YES. ACTUALLY, IF WE WANT TO START WITH  
23   THE AGENDA. AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF  
24   THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, WE HAVE ITEM 1-H.

25





**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY BURKE. SECONDED. WITHOUT  
2    OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

3

4    **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE REGIONAL  
5    PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, WE  
6    HAVE ITEMS 1-P THROUGH 3-P.

7

8    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE HAVE-- ANDREW DID SIGN UP FOR  
9    1-P, SO ANDREW IS HERE, AHLERING.

10

11    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DID WE APPROVE ITEM 14?

12

13    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE DID. THAT'S A 4-VOTE-- THAT WAS  
14    BEING HELD BY SUPERVISOR KNABE.

15

16    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. IT'S NOT ON THE SHEET.

17

18    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** 14 IS NOT ON THE SHEET.

19

20    **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** HE WITHDREW HIS HELD, SO WE WILL NEED TO  
21    CALL THAT UP.

22

23    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. ITEM 1-P.

24



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1   **ANDREW AHLERING:** YES. I'M ANDREW AHLERING. RIGHT HERE, I HAVE  
2   A CHECK FOR 40 CENTS MADE PAYABLE TO THE COUNTY OF LOS  
3   ANGELES. I'M GIVING THIS TO MR. JANSSEN, PURSUANT TO  
4   GOVERNMENT CODE FOR FOUR COPIES HIS OFFICE MADE ON MY BEHALF.  
5   THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SIR. I ASK MR. ANTONOVICH FOR PERMISSION  
6   TO ENTER THE WELL.

7

8   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** PARDON?

9

10   **ANDREW AHLERING:** PERMISSION TO ENTER THE WELL.

11

12   **SPEAKER:** <OFF-MIKE>

13

14   **ANDREW AHLERING:** OKAY, THAT'S FINE. COULD YOU PLEASE HAND THIS  
15   TO THE SUPERVISOR. MR. SUPERVISOR, YOU HAVE NOW BEEN SERVED  
16   WITH A SMALL CLAIMS LAWSUIT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,500 FOR LIBEL,  
17   SLANDER AND DEFAMATION. THANK YOU.

18

19   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GIVE THIS TO COUNTY COUNSEL.

20

21   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN?

22

23   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ARE YOU GOING TO SPEAK?

24



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WOULD MOVE THAT WE-- I WOULD MOVE THE  
2    AGENDA, MR. CHAIRMAN.

3

4    **SUP. KNABE:** SECOND.

5

6    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE HAVE A...

7

8    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT IS THE ITEM BEFORE US?

9

10   **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** THAT WAS ITEM 1-P THROUGH...

11

12   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MOVE APPROVAL.

13

14   **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** AND THEN THROUGH 3-P.

15

16   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO WE HAVE A MOTION BY SUPERVISOR  
17   YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED TO MOVE ITEMS 1, 2 AND 3-P. WITHOUT  
18   OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

19

20   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WOULD CALL UP ITEM 14...

21

22   **ANDREW AHLERING:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, RACISTS.

23

24   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WOULD CALL UP ITEM 14, NOW THAT WE HAVE  
25   FOUR VOTES HERE, AND MOVE IT.



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1

2 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** ACTUALLY, CAN WE HAVE A MOTION-- CAN WE  
3 GO THROUGH AND DO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, 1 THROUGH 8?

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU DIDN'T GO THROUGH THE AGENDA?

6

7 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** NO, WE DID NOT GO THROUGH THE AGENDA.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** I THINK ITEM-- I MEAN, OTHER THAN THE ITEMS,  
10 SPECIFIC ITEMS HELD, I THINK SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY MOVED THE  
11 AGENDA AND I SECONDED IT.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY, BUT WE HAVE ONE ITEM, MR.  
14 ROBINSON HAS SIGNED UP FOR ITEM 4. MR. ROBINSON? MR. ROBINSON,  
15 ITEM NUMBER 4.

16

17 **RICHARD ROBINSON:** HONORABLE MAYOR, MEMBERS, RICHARD ROBINSON,  
18 NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZER, RESIDING IN THE 7 STAR MOTEL, IN ROOM  
19 NUMBER 104 AT 1730 NORTH LA BREA IN SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY'S  
20 DISTRICT AT HOLLYWOOD BOULEVARD AND LA BREA. SIR, YOUR HONOR,  
21 LIKE TED HAYES, THE FOUNDERS OF JUSTICEVILLE, I AM A  
22 REPUBLICAN. HOWEVER, I'M A GOLDWATER REPUBLICAN. I.E., UPON  
23 DISCHARGE AS A SERGEANT FROM THE MILITARY IN '64, I VOTED FOR  
24 THE MAN WHO WOULD HAVE MINED THE PORT OF HAI PHONG IN '64  
25 ENDING THE VIETNAMESE WAR. SIR, WHEN I WAS A TECHNICAL



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 REFERENCE LIBRARIAN, WHILE IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE, I  
2 WAS OFTEN REQUIRED TO BURN, SHRED AND OTHERWISE DESTROY THE  
3 CLASSIFIED DOCUMENTS IN MY CARE. PRESIDENT BUSH IS BEING  
4 ATTACKED, ACCUSED OF LEAKING BECAUSE, AS COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF IN  
5 THIS WAR AGAINST THOSE WHO MURDERED MORE THAN 3,000 AMERICANS  
6 IN A SNEAK ATTACK SEPTEMBER 11, 2001, ONE OF HIS  
7 RESPONSIBILITIES IS THE ROUTINE DECLASSIFICATION OF CRYPTO AND  
8 TOP SECRET MILITARY DOCUMENTS. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. ROBINSON. OKAY. WE HAVE  
11 A MOTION BY YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED, WITHOUT OBJECTION TO  
12 APPROVE THE AGENDA AS HELD AND WE HAVE ADJOURNMENTS, SO  
13 SUPERVISOR MOLINA, DOES SHE HAVE ANY ADJOURNMENTS? IF NOT,  
14 SUPERVISOR BURKE?

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** I MOVE THAT, WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN  
17 THE MEMORY OF JOHN WASHINGTON PINKETT, WHO BEGAN HIS 30-YEAR  
18 CAREER AS A SECURITY GUARD AT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY MUSIC  
19 CENTER WHEN IT OPENED. HE THEN BECAME A COLLECTOR FOR THE LOS  
20 ANGELES COUNTY BUREAU OF RESOURCES AND COLLECTION. HE  
21 TRANSFERRED TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY TREASURER AND TAX  
22 COLLECTOR AS A COLLECTOR AND ROSE TO LEVEL OF DIVISION CHIEF  
23 BEFORE HE RETIRED IN 1985. AFTER HIS COUNTY RETIREMENT, HE  
24 SPENT MANY YEARS MANAGING HIS PROPERTY APPRAISAL BUSINESS. HE  
25 WAS A DEVOTED HUSBAND, PARENT AND GRANDPARENT. HE USED TO



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS WIFE OF 44 YEARS, FAITH PINKETT, HIS  
2 CHILDREN, SHARON PINKETT BROWN, MICHAEL PINKETT AND VERONICA  
3 PINKETT VEAL. HE'S RELATED TO MICHAEL HENRY. AND TO DR. SAMUEL  
4 J. HILL, WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY AFTER A LONG ILLNESS. HE WAS  
5 A DENTIST AND OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY LEADER WHO WAS A LONG-TIME  
6 REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SECOND DISTRICT. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS  
7 WIFE, ROSE, AND HIS CHILDREN, JOEY HILL, WHO MANY OF US KNOW,  
8 SANDRA CARLTON AND CHARLES HILL. AND AIMEE ADELE WILSON, WHO  
9 PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 1ST. SHE WAS A LOVING MOTHER, GRANDMOTHER  
10 AND GREAT- GRANDMOTHER AND A LONG-TIME SECOND DISTRICT  
11 RESIDENT. SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER ADULT CHILDREN,  
12 HER DAUGHTER, JOLENE LAMB, SONS, CHARLES G. MATHES, JR., AND  
13 ADRIAN J. MCDANIELS AND A HOST OF RELATIVES, EXTENDED FAMILY  
14 AND FRIENDS. AND GEORGE L. BROWN, WHO PASSED AWAY MARCH 31ST,  
15 2006, OF CANCER AT THE AGE OF 79. HE WAS FORMER LIEUTENANT  
16 GOVERNOR OF COLORADO, WHO WAS THE FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN TO  
17 HOLD STATEWIDE OFFICE.

18  
19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO  
20 ORDERED.

21  
22 **SUP. BURKE:** I HAVE NO OTHER ITEMS.

23  
24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, DO YOU  
25 HAVE ANY ADJOURNMENTS? ANY ADJOURNMENTS?



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1

2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE  
3 MEMORY OF HELEN ZUCKER, WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY. SHE IS  
4 SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER, LAURA, WHO IS A VALUED MEMBER OF OUR  
5 COUNTY FAMILY AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE COUNTY...

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** I'D LIKE TO JOIN IN THAT.

8

9 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL MEMBERS.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL MEMBERS AND SHE IS SURVIVED BY LAURA.  
12 ALSO AND ALSO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF DIXIE  
13 HENRIKSON, FOUNDER OF THE ARC HAND BELL CHOIR, A FREQUENT  
14 PERFORMER AT MY OFFICE'S ANNUAL HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE IN VAN NUYS  
15 AND, IN FACT, WE HAD HER HERE A FEW YEARS AGO DURING THE  
16 CHRISTMAS SEASON WITH HER HANDICAPPED BELL PLAYERS, THEY  
17 LIGHTENED OUR DAY. DIXIE WAS REALLY THE HEART AND SOUL OF THAT  
18 ORGANIZATION AND THAT BELL ORCHESTRA. SHE WAS AN EXTRAORDINARY  
19 WOMAN WHO ONLY RECENTLY RETIRED FROM HER ACTIVITIES AND, LAST  
20 CHRISTMAS, I HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF CONDUCTING THE CHOIR WITH  
21 HER IN HER VAN NUYS OFFICE. SHE WILL BE VERY MUCH MISSED. SHE  
22 IS SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER, DEBORAH, HER THREE SONS, JEFFREY,  
23 WENDELL AND MICHAEL. SHE'S A RESIDENT OF VALLEY VILLAGE AND  
24 BROUGHT A LOT OF HAPPINESS TO A LOT OF PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY THE





**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN WHO WERE UNDER HER BATON. SO I ASK THAT WE  
2 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF THOSE TWO INDIVIDUALS.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO  
5 ORDERED. SUPERVISOR KNABE.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** YES, MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I JUST  
8 WANTED TO ADD JUST A COUPLE OF THOUGHTS ABOUT PAUL HIGA. OUR  
9 THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH HIS FAMILY. PAUL'S HAD A TOUGH  
10 JOB HERE IN THE LAST SHORT PERIOD OF TIME. HE'S BEEN THERE BUT  
11 WE THOUGHT HE WAS DOING BETTER AND WE JUST AGAIN REALIZE HOW  
12 SHORT AND PRECIOUS LIFE IS BUT OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE  
13 WITH HIM AND HIS FAMILY. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF  
14 WILL BACA, A VERY ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE HACIENDA HEIGHTS  
15 COMMUNITY, WHO LOST A BATTLE WITH PARKINSON'S DISEASE AND LUNG  
16 CANCER. HE WAS 65 YEARS OLD. HE WAS VERY ACTIVE IN THE SAN  
17 GABRIEL VALLEY ENVIRONMENTAL MOVEMENT AND FOUGHT THE LANDFILLS  
18 AND THE EXPANSIONS AND I THINK WAS VERY RESPONSIBLE FOR  
19 CLOSING SOME OF THE OTHERS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE,  
20 MARTHA, SONS, ALBERTO AND WILFRED, DAUGHTER, MARIAH. HE'S ALSO  
21 SURVIVED BY HIS MOTHER, MARGARET, BROTHERS, GLEN AND RUDY, AND  
22 SISTERS, JEANNETTE AND PAM. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF  
23 FRANCIS TURIGLIATTO, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE END OF MARCH AFTER  
24 A VERY STRONG AND DIGNIFIED BATTLE WITH CANCER. SHE WAS VERY  
25 WELL KNOWN FOR HER LOVING AND CARRYING SPIRIT, HER GIFTS OF



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1    GENEROSITY AND SERVICE TO OTHERS AND HER STRONG WILL AND  
2    DETERMINATION TO LIVE LIFE WELL THAT REALLY TRANSCENDED HER  
3    ILLNESS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND OF 51 YEARS, PERRY,  
4    AND HER CHILDREN, TERRY, RONALD, JOHN AND HER 10  
5    GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DEMETRIUS  
6    FLORES, A RESIDENT OF ROWLAND HEIGHTS, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE  
7    VERY YOUNG AGE OF 17. HE WILL ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS  
8    WARM SMILE AND POSITIVE SPIRIT. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS PARENTS,  
9    LARRY AND OLGA, GRANDPARENTS, LARRY SR., AND THERESA,  
10    SIBLINGS, DOMINIQUE, DARIEN AND HIS TWIN BROTHER, DAMON. ALSO  
11    THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF CHARLES MILWARD, WHO PASSED AWAY  
12    JUST A COUPLE OF DAYS AGO. HE WAS 83 YEARS OLD. HE AND HIS  
13    FAMILY MOVED HERE FROM BUFFALO, NEW YORK. HE GRADUATED FROM  
14    LOS ANGELES HIGH SCHOOL AND HE CAME BACK AND OPENED A COMPANY,  
15    ACTUALLY PURCHASED IT FROM HIS FATHER, THE BUSHNELL RIBBON  
16    CORPORATION, SANTA FE SPRINGS, IN 1948. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS  
17    WIFE OF 58 YEARS, MARY ELLIS, TWO SONS, CHARLES AND CHRIS AND  
18    DAUGHTER, JULIA. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JOHN GOMEZ,  
19    WHO PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 4TH. HE WAS APPOINTED DEPUTY CLERK AT  
20    THE LOS CERRITOS MUNICIPAL COURT IN 1959. WHILE EMPLOYED AT  
21    THE LOS CERRITOS MUNICIPAL COURT, HE TOOK A LEAVE OF ABSENCE,  
22    DUCKED INTO THE ARMED FORCES IN 1961 AND RETURNED TO COUNTY  
23    SERVICE IN 1963. HE RECEIVED MANY PROMOTIONS DURING HIS  
24    SERVICE AT LOS CERRITOS, INCLUDING CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK,  
25    ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER AND RETIRED AS COURT ADMINISTRATOR IN



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 1994. WHILE HE WAS COURT ADMINISTRATOR, HE OVERSAW THE  
2 PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW COURTHOUSE WE HAVE OUT  
3 THERE. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, MAGDALENE, DAUGHTER, MARIA  
4 AND SON, MICHAEL. HE WILL BE GREATLY MISSED BY HIS FAMILY,  
5 FRIENDS AND HIS COUNTY FAMILY. JOHN WAS A GREAT GUY OUT THERE.  
6 ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DAVID SERENA. HE WAS A COURT  
7 SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE OFFICER, DISPUTE RESOLUTION MEDIATOR. HE  
8 WAS A CERTIFIED MEDIATOR TRAINED BY THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BAR  
9 ASSOCIATION AND-- AS WELL AS THE NEVADA BAR ASSOCIATION. HE  
10 WAS REALLY WELL KNOWN FOR HIS 2,000 ARBITRATIONS AND 1,000  
11 MEDIATIONS. HE REALLY KNEW HOW TO WEED OUT THE TRIVIA AND GET  
12 RIGHT DOWN TO IT. HE WAS VERY ACTIVE IN WRITING ARTICLES ON  
13 SUBJECTS RELATING TO THE A.D.R. AND HE WAS-- ALSO SERVED AS A  
14 POLICE OFFICER AND A POLICE SERGEANT IN THE L.A.P.D. HE WAS  
15 VERY ACTIVE IN THE REDONDO BEACH COMMUNITY, SERVING AS  
16 CHAIRMAN OF THREE CITY COMMISSIONS, WHICH CONCLUDED [SIC]  
17 CHARTER REVIEW, HARBOR AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION. BUT I ALSO  
18 KNOW HE AND HIS WIFE, BARBARA, WERE EXTREME STRONG SUPPORTERS  
19 OF THE ARTS AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, BARBARA, CHILDREN,  
20 LORI AND BOB AND GRANDCHILDREN, JARED AND MEGAN. DAVID WAS A  
21 GREAT GUY AND JUST SUDDENLY HAD A HEART ATTACK THE OTHER DAY  
22 AND PASSED AWAY, SO OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH BARBARA  
23 AND THE REST OF THE FAMILY. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.  
24



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO  
2   ORDERED. ON ITEM NUMBER 41, THE EXECUTIVE HAS ASKED US TO  
3   CLARIFY AN ISSUE.

4

5   **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** YES. I NEED TO READ INTO THE RECORD.  
6   THIS ITEM 41 IS AN ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION. IT'S AMENDING  
7   TITLE 5, PERSONNEL OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE RELATING TO  
8   THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FLEXIBLE BENEFIT PLAN, THE CHOICES  
9   HEALTHCARE SPENDING ACCOUNT PLAN AND THE LOCAL 660 CAFETERIA  
10   PROGRAM.

11

12   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY BURKE. SECONDED.  
13   WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. PUBLIC COMMENT. OKAY. GUSTAVO  
14   RAMIREZ AND HUGH SCHWARTZ, S-C-H-U-R-U-E-T-Z. JUST GIVE YOUR  
15   NAME FOR THE RECORD BEFORE YOU SPEAK.

16

17   **GUSTAVO RAMIREZ:** EXCUSE MY VOICE. HELLO. IT'S ACTUALLY AN  
18   HONOR TO BE HERE. I'M GUSTAVO RAMIREZ, A TEACHER FROM POMONA,  
19   CALIFORNIA, AND IT TRULY IS AN HONOR TO BE HERE FOR THE FIRST  
20   TIME AT THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING. IT'S A  
21   PLEASURE MEETING THE SUPERVISORS TODAY. AND I REGRET THAT MOST  
22   PEOPLE HAVE LEFT BUT I JUST WANTED TO SPEAK FOR A MOMENT IN  
23   MEMORY OF ANTHONY SULTERO, WHO IS A YOUNG BOY WHO JUST DIED A  
24   FEW DAYS AGO WHOSE FUNERAL WAS IN LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA. HE  
25   DIED AND HE WAS, AGAIN, 14 YEARS OLD, BUT HE WAS ONE OF THE



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 STUDENTS WHO WAS PROTESTING, WHO, YOU KNOW, HELPED ORGANIZE  
2 THE PROTESTS A FEW WEEKS AGO JUST AFTER THE SATURDAY PROTEST  
3 AGAINST BILL 4437 AND THE REASON THAT HE COMMITTED SUICIDE,  
4 APPARENTLY, IS-- AND THANK YOU FOR LISTENING BECAUSE I KNOW  
5 WE'VE BEEN HERE FOR MANY HOURS, AND SO THANKS AGAIN BUT THE  
6 REASON THAT IT STATES-- THE APPARENT REASON FOR HIS SUICIDE IS  
7 THAT HIS-- THE VICE PRINCIPAL OF HIS SCHOOL THREATENED THIS  
8 YOUNG BOY WITH AT LEAST THREE YEARS OF JAIL TIME BECAUSE OF  
9 HELPING CREATE THE NONVIOLENT PROTESTS AGAINST THE BILL 4437.  
10 SO I JUST WANTED TO REALLY, REALLY FOCUS ON JUST REMEMBERING  
11 EXACTLY POSSIBLY THE WORST PART ABOUT THE BILL OF 4437 AND WHY  
12 WE SHOULD ALL JUST SUPPORT AND IN HIS MEMORY BUT ALSO SUPPORT  
13 JUSTICE AND REMEMBER THE-- POSSIBLY THE WORST PART OF 4437,  
14 WHICH DOESN'T-- IT DOESN'T SAY IN THE MASS MEDIA BUT IT WOULD  
15 REMEMBER THE BILL, IF IT WERE TO HAVE PASSED IN ITS ORIGINAL  
16 FORM, WOULD HAVE MADE-- WOULD HAVE NOT ONLY MADE IT A FELONY  
17 FOR SOMEONE TO ASSIST AN UNDOCUMENTED IMMIGRANT BUT THE LAW,  
18 IF IT WERE TO PASS IN ITS ORIGINAL FORM, WOULD ACTUALLY STATE  
19 THAT IF, SAY, FOR EXAMPLE, A TWO-YEAR-OLD OR A FIVE-YEAR-OLD  
20 OR A PREGNANT WOMAN WERE DYING AND THEY NEEDED TO GO TO THE  
21 HOSPITAL, THAT THE LAW WOULD BE THAT YOU WOULD HAVE TO LET  
22 THAT PERSON DIE. THAT WOULD ACTUALLY BE THE...

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** TO CORRECT YOU, THAT'S NOT CORRECT BUT  
25 THAT'S YOUR-- ON THAT POINT...



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1

2 **GUSTAVO RAMIREZ:** OH. OH. I'M SORRY. THE LAW WOULD BE THAT YOU  
3 WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO TRANSPORT THAT PERSON TO THE HOSPITAL.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU ARE ABLE TO TRANSPORT AND BE  
6 SERVED BY ANYBODY WHO IS IN DIRE NEED...

7

8 **GUSTAVO RAMIREZ:** NO. FIRST OF ALL-- IF YOU COULD LET ME SPEAK  
9 BECAUSE IT'S MY THREE MINUTES BUT... I'M THE FOUNDER OF THE  
10 COALITION FOR SAFETY AND WELLBEING IN POMONA, CALIFORNIA, AS  
11 WELL AS ONE OF THE FOUNDERS OF LA SOLUTION. I'VE STUDIED THIS  
12 VERY MUCH IN DEPTH. I GRADUATED FROM U.C. BERKELEY SOCIAL  
13 JUSTICE AND I'VE STUDIED THIS HOUR AFTER HOUR AFTER HOUR. AND,  
14 IN ITS ORIGINAL FORM, THE SENSOR BRENNER KING BILL WITH THE  
15 CLEAR ACT AMENDMENTS, THAT WOULD ACTUALLY BE THE LAW, SO I  
16 WOULD ASK YOU TO REALLY STUDY THAT MORE.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

19

20 **GUSTAVO RAMIREZ:** WELL, I'M NOT FINISHED, BECAUSE YOU JUST TOOK  
21 SOME OF MY TIME. YOU JUST INTERRUPTED ME, MR. ANTONOVICH.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE'LL GIVE YOU 30 SECONDS.

24



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1   **GUSTAVO RAMIREZ:** THANK YOU. I REALLY ACTUALLY FIND IT  
2   APPALLING THAT I'M OVER HERE STANDING UP FOR SOMEONE WHO JUST  
3   COMMITTED SUICIDE AND, AT YOUR REACTION, WHEN I ASKED TO DO  
4   THIS IN HIS MEMORY, MR. ANTONOVICH, BUT ALL I ASK, ALL I ASK  
5   EVERYONE, PLEASE, IS FOR THERE TO BE MUCH, MUCH MORE HUMANITY  
6   AND MUCH MORE CARE AND RESPONSIBILITY IN THE SCHOOL SYSTEM AND  
7   ALL THROUGHOUT, ESPECIALLY YOU, MR. ANTONOVICH, AND JUST  
8   EVERYONE HERE. AGAIN, THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME, BUT I THINK  
9   IT'S REALLY, REALLY IMPORTANT, WHEN SOMEONE DIES THAT'S IN OUR  
10  AREA, WHEN SOMEONE, YOU KNOW, DIES WHO IS A CHILD OR AN  
11  ELDERLY PERSON, IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT TO REALIZE WHAT THE  
12  REASONS FOR THAT WERE, POSSIBLY LACK OF CARING THAT MIGHT BE  
13  EVEN DEMONSTRATED RIGHT HERE BY MR. ANTONOVICH BUT I, AGAIN  
14  ASK YOU JUST TO LOOK INTO YOUR HEARTS, PLEASE, AND A  
15  TRANSFORMATION NEEDS TO HAPPEN, I BELIEVE, SO THAT WE REALLY  
16  PROTECT ALL OF OUR PEOPLE AND ALL THE RACES, ALL THE  
17  NATIONALITIES AND I PLEASE ASK THAT THERE BE AN ACTION TAKEN  
18  UPON THIS, A TRUE ACTION AND IF YOU JUST HUMBLY OR IF I CAN  
19  HUMBLY ASK THAT AND STRONGLY URGE THAT AN ACTION BE TAKEN BY  
20  NEXT WEEK AND YOU CAN, YOU KNOW, ABSOLUTELY WORK WITH ME IN  
21  WHATEVER WAY I CAN HELP, I WILL ABSOLUTELY HELP YOU, EVERYONE  
22  HERE. MY NAME IS GUSTAVO RAMIREZ AND THANKS ONCE AGAIN FOR  
23  YOUR TIME AND I MEAN THAT SINCERELY. I CAN HELP YOU IN  
24  WHATEVER WAY I CAN.

25





**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

2

3    **GUSTAVO RAMIREZ:** I ASK YOU TO TAKE IT SERIOUSLY AS WELL.

4

5    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES. GIVE YOUR NAME BEFORE YOU SPEAK,  
6    PLEASE.

7

8    **HUGH SCHURTZ:** MY NAME IS HUGH S-C-H-U-R-T-Z, I LIVE IN WEST  
9    HILLS IN SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY'S AREA AND I TALKED TO ONE OF  
10    HIS PEOPLE YESTERDAY ABOUT THIS AND THEY TOLD ME TO COME IN  
11    FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. 20 YEARS AGO, THE CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE  
12    ENACTED LAWS REQUIRING CITY, STATE, MUNICIPALITIES AND  
13    COUNTIES TO ENFORCE RESTITUTION ORDERS FOR ON BEHALF OF  
14    VICTIMS OF VIOLENT CRIME. DESPITE SAID LEGISLATION, GOVERNMENT  
15    AGENCIES HAVE NOT ENFORCED RESTITUTION JUDGMENTS AND, IN FACT,  
16    NOT UNTIL 2005 DID THE GOVERNMENT PRINT THE FORMS TO ACTUALLY  
17    PUT THIS IN ACTION. NOW, AS WE KNOW, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT  
18    HAS MASSIVE FINES SUCH AS THE EXXON VALDEZ OF, YOU KNOW, IN  
19    THE \$35 MILLION. A LOT OF THESE PEOPLE HAVE THE MEANS TO PAY  
20    RESTITUTION, INCLUDING THE PERSON THAT BROKE-- STALKED ME,  
21    BROKE INTO MY HOME, PUT A GUN TO MY HEAD AND SHOT ME. THESE  
22    ARE THINGS THEY HAVE THE MEANS TO DO IT. THIS IS NOT SOMETHING  
23    THAT SHOULD BE A BURDEN TO THE VICTIM OF CRIME NOR SHOULD IT  
24    BE TO THE COUNTY NOR STATE, IT SHOULD BE TAKEN CARE OF BY THE  
25    CRIMINAL. NOW, I HAVE GONE THROUGH AND JUST SO YOU KNOW, THIS



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 WAS MORE OF A COUNTY ISSUE BECAUSE, AT THE TIME, THEY WERE  
2 WORKING ON THE O.J. SIMPSON CASE. THIS IS 12 YEARS OLD. I HAVE  
3 GONE THROUGH THE OMBUDSMAN, THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE,  
4 THE-- OF COURSE, MY COUNCILMAN AND OTHER AGENTS, PAROLE AS  
5 WELL, YET THE PROBLEM IS, NO ONE FEELS THAT THEY HAVE THE  
6 AUTHORITY TO ACTUALLY ENFORCE RESTITUTION ORDERS. THESE ARE  
7 LEGAL ORDERS DONE BY THE COURT, YET EVEN THE COURT, THERE IS  
8 NO SPECIFIC PERSON, AND I WOULD ASK, AND I'M GOING TO LEAVE  
9 SOME PAPERWORK WITH MY SUPERVISOR BUT I-- REGARDING SOME  
10 THINGS THAT HAVE OCCURRED, BUT I WOULD ASK THAT YOU CONSIDER  
11 HAVING A SPECIFIC PERSON, THE VICTIMS OF VIOLENT CRIME PROGRAM  
12 IN THE STATE DOES NOT WORK WITH THIS. IT HAS TO BE DONE IN THE  
13 COUNTY OR WHEREVER THE JUDGMENT IS DONE, SPECIFICALLY FIND A  
14 PERSON THAT COULD ASSIST THE VICTIM IN CRIME IN RECEIVING THE  
15 JUDGMENT ORDER. IT IS A LIFE-CHANGING EVENT, UNLIKE SOMETHING  
16 LIKE THE FINES FOR EXXON VALDEZ OR THE \$35 BILLION THE FEDERAL  
17 GOVERNMENT HAS THAT HAS EXTENDED OVER MANY PEOPLE. THIS IS  
18 JUST ON ONE SPECIFIC PERSON. I'M NOT THE ONLY PERSON THAT HAS  
19 NOT RECEIVED THEIR RESTITUTION ORDER. IN FACT, I'VE TALKED TO  
20 THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND THEY'VE SAID THEY'VE NEVER  
21 HAD ONE GO THROUGH. THAT'S APPALLING AND I THINK IT'S  
22 SOMETHING THAT SHOULD BE LOOKED INTO, AT LEAST, AND I WOULD  
23 APPRECIATE YOUR ACTION. AND, AGAIN, THANK YOU SO MUCH. MY TIME  
24 IS UP. BUT I REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR HARD WORK.

25



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

2

3    **HUGH SCHURTZ:** I REALLY DO.

4

5    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. OKAY. WE WILL  
6    ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE FOLLOWING ITEMS.

7

8    **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT  
9    REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF  
10    SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM CS-  
11    1, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING  
12    LITIGATION; ITEM CS-2, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING  
13    EXISTING LITIGATION; ITEM CS-3, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL  
14    REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION AND INITIATION OF  
15    LITIGATION, ONE CASE; AND ITEM CS-4, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL  
16    COUNSEL REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, ONE  
17    CASE, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA AND SUPPLEMENTAL  
18    AGENDA.

19

20

21

22

23

24

25



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

**REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON APRIL 11, 2006**

CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

(Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9) TXU SEM Company v. County of Los Angeles; County of Los Angeles v. TXU SEM Company, U.S. District Court Case No. CV 05-1623 JFW. County of Los Angeles v. Henry Clay Cox, Jr. dba The Solutions Group; Henry Clay Cox, Jr. dba The Solutions Group v. County of Los Angeles, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 316566.

These cases involve disputes relating to contracts for energy management services at County Hospitals.

**ACTION TAKEN:**

The Board authorized settlement of the above lawsuit titled TXU SEM Company v. County of Los Angeles; County of Los Angeles v. TXU SEM Company.

The substance of the settlement will be disclosed upon inquiry by any person as soon as the settlement becomes final following approval by all parties.



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 The vote of the Board of Supervisors was unanimous, with  
2 Supervisor Molina being absent.

3

4 No reportable action was taken on the above lawsuit titled  
5 County of Los Angeles v. Henry Clay Cox, Jr. dba The Solutions  
6 Group; Henry Clay Cox, Jr. dba the solutions Group v. County  
7 of Los Angeles.

8

9 CS-2 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION  
10 (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9) R. Moreno  
11 v. County of Los Angeles, U.S. District Court Case No. CV  
12 0007149.

13

14 This is a lawsuit against the County for alleged violations of  
15 the Plaintiff's constitutional rights arising from his arrest.

16

17 ACTION TAKEN:

18

19 The Board authorized County Counsel to file a Petition for  
20 Writ of certiorari in the United States Supreme Court in the  
21 case of R. Moreno v. County of Los Angeles.

22

23 The vote of the Board of Supervisors was unanimous, with  
24 Supervisor Molina being absent.

25



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 CS-3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION  
2 (Subdivisions (b) and (c) of Government Code Section 54956.9)  
3 Significant exposure to litigation and initiation of  
4 litigation (one case).

5

6 ACTION TAKEN:

7

8 The Board authorized County Counsel to accept payment in  
9 amount of \$425,000 as full settlement of the County s claim  
10 against Refugio Para Ninos Foster Family Agency. The vote of  
11 the Board of Supervisors was unanimous, with Supervisor Molina  
12 being absent.

13

14 CS-4. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION  
15 (Subdivisions (b) of Government Code Section 54956.9)  
16 Significant exposure to litigation (one case).

17

18 No reportable action was taken.

19

20

21

22

23

24

25



**The Meeting Transcript of  
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 I, JENNIFER A. HINES, Certified Shorthand Reporter  
2 Number 6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of  
3 California, do hereby certify:

4 That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the  
5 Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors April 11, 2006,  
6 were thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my  
7 direction and supervision;

8 That the transcript of recorded proceedings as  
9 archived in the office of the reporter and which  
10 have been provided to the Los Angeles County Board of  
11 Supervisors as certified by me.

12 I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor  
13 related to any party to the said action; nor  
14 in anywise interested in the outcome thereof.

15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this  
16 14th day of April 2006 for the County records to be used only  
17 for authentication purposes of duly certified transcripts  
18 as on file of the office of the reporter.

19

20 JENNIFER A. HINES

21 CSR No. 6029/RPR/CRR

22

23